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THE CLIFF HOUSE

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ALPHA ZETA GREETS YOU!

Alpha Zeta sends heartiest greetings to all Thetas who are going to be at Convention, and we only wish that that might include every Theta throughout the country!

We are looking forward to June 24 with great pleasure. We want to meet you all and become even better acquainted with our sister chapters than is possible through the journals. What wonderful tales our delegate to the last Convention keeps telling us! Of course we should like to have this the largest and best Convention ever held. And after Convention is over, we shall be so glad if you come to New York that we may show you Barnard, and Columbia, too, and the hundreds of other interesting things that one should see when visiting New York.

So do try to come, everyone of you and help us to make the occasion a great success.

Alpha Zeta.

IMPORTANT CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRIP OF THE SPECIAL PULLMANS: Special Pullmans will leave Chicago, over the New York central lines, on the morning of June 22, at 9:05 a. m. A stop will be made that afternoon at Ann Arbor, which will be reached at 2:30. As we cannot obtain stop-overs on our tickets at Ann Arbor our Pullmans will proceed the thirty miles to Detroit, and await us there. After visiting the University of Michigan, we will go to Detroit, and catch a glimpse of that city, and greet Thetas resident, before our train leaves at 10:45 p. m.

On the following morning, June 23, we arrive at Niagara Falls at 5:45, where we will breakfast at the Hotel Imperial. The day will

be divided between Niagara Falls and Buffalo, from which latter city our Pullmans leave at 10:35 p. m.

The next morning, June 24, at 5:15 we arrive at Albany, where our sleepers are switched onto a train continuing down the Hudson to Kingston, reaching that point at 7:49. Here we leave our Pullmans and the New York central, eat breakfast and at 9:35 a. m. board a train on the Ontario and Western for Kerhonkson, where we stop at 10:21 a. m. Stages will be awaiting us, and lunch time will see us at the Cliff house, Lake Minnewaska.

PULLMAN FARE on the Special Pullmans from Chicago to Kingston will be \$6.00 for a lower berth and \$4.80 for an upper berth. All reservation will be made by Mr. C. C. Clark, General agent, Michigan central railroad, 228 South Clark street, Chicago. Write him for berths on the "Kappa Alpha Theta Special Pullmans, June 22." He will send a card to each applicant, designating space assigned.

THOSE LIVING EAST OF CHICAGO can join the Special Pullmans at any Michigan central, or New York central station. If you can join us anywhere, write Mr. C. C. Clark, General agent, Michigan central railroad, 228 South Clark street, Chicago, and he will reserve you space and tell you the price of your berth.

ALL INQUIRIES concerning rates, trains, connections, etc., that your local agent cannot answer, refer to Mr. Jas. S. Millebrands, General agent, New York central lines, Omaha, Nebraska.

WHY CANNOT THOSE FROM FAR AWAY territories join forces and have Pullmans of their own to Chicago? The railroads will have one reserved for the sale of eighteen berths. Miss Marie Davis, care of F. E. Davis, Post-office inspector's office, St. Louis, Missouri, will undertake to make the arrangements for such a Pullman from St. Louis. All, who will pass through St. Louis, should write Miss Davis before June 1. Perhaps such special Pullmans could be arranged from Seattle and California. We leave it for chapter correspondence out there to arrange this if possible. If you are not affiliated with a chapter write to the nearest one for information as

to the plan determined upon.

IMPORTANT TO THOSE WEST OF MINNEWASKA, who arrive by way of Kingston. Buy your tickets at the summer rate to New York city, taking a stop-over at Kingston. It will be necessary, after convention, to proceed to New York to validate your tickets. Be sure your tickets read from Chicago over the Michigan central and New York central and Hudson river railroads on the *going* trip.

THE STAGE FARE from Kerhonkson to Cliff house is \$1.25 one way. The transfer of trunks is 50 cents, one way.

IMPORTANT TO THOSE WHO ARRIVE BY WAY OF NEW YORK CITY. Buy your tickets at the summer rates. The route from New York city to Kerhonkson is via the New York, Ontario, and Western railway, from Kerhonkson to Minnewaska by stage. In New York, Brooklyn, and Philadelphia tickets can be purchased clear through to Minnewaska and baggage checked through. This arrangement can probably be made at other stations, by inquiry far enough ahead. Each piece of baggage should bear the owner's name and "Cliff house" upon a tag. The fare from New York to Minnewaska is \$3.44. The Jersey terminal of the Ontario and Western is at Weehawken. It can be reached by ferry either from Cortland street, or from West Forty-second street, New York.

FOR THOSE GOING VIA KINGSTON. Baggage should be checked on your ticket to Kingston. There it must be transferred to the New York, Ontario and Western station, a mile away, and rechecked to Kerhonkson. Arrangements will be made with a transfer firm to meet all trains and transfer baggage bearing the "Kappa Alpha Theta convention" tags, at a fixed price per trunk. It will be forwarded to Kerhonkson on these baggage tags. The Grand treasurer will pay the Kingston transfer company, to be later reimbursed by you. Don't worry about your baggage. It will get there.

"KAPPA ALPHA THETA CONVENTION" baggage identification checks will be sent to each chapter for local distribution. If you are not reached by this method, write Mrs. Y. B. Huffman, Merna, Nebraska,

for tags. These identification checks will insure the prompt arrival of your trunk, and in the case of those going on the Special Pullmans will mean your baggage will arrive a day ahead of you.

RESERVATION OF ROOMS AT THE CLIFF HOUSE DURING CONVENTION: Everyone planning to attend the Kappa Alpha Theta convention *must* send her name to Mrs. Horace D. Lyon, 545 West 111th street, New York city *before June first*, in order that the necessary reservations and arrangements may be made. Each Theta will be informed of the number of her room on her arrival at the Cliff house. Girls wishing to room together should notify Mrs. Lyon to that effect, and every effort will be made to comply with their wishes. *Do not write to the Hotel for reservations.*

HOTEL RATES: The rate is \$2 per day per person.

MAIL, etc: Mail should be addressed "Cliff House, Ulster County, New York." There are three mails each way daily. There is a Western Union telegraph office at the Hotel, also long distance telephone. Express should be sent via Adams express co. Kerhonkson, N. Y.

Notice: Bring your bathing suits, your tennis outfit (if you are athletic), and your guitars, etc. (if you are musical).

"Haven't good enough clothes you say? Oh, it isn't a prize millinery exhibit—just some clean shirt waists—that's all that's really necessary." So closed an article urging Thetas to attend the 1911 Convention.

The same sane advice holds true for the 1913 Convention. Miss Holt, Chairman of the Hospitality committee writes: "An ordinary amount of summer things, white ducks and lingeries, will be the most one will need. It is warm in these mountains, not cold as in the Colorado mountains."

This is an out-of-doors convention—there will be water sports, song fests, mountain tramps, no great receptions, theater parties, or other functions that demand dress-up clothes. Simple, sensible gowns such as everyone has for ordinary days are ample for all convention's demands. As the quoted writer said, this is not a prize millinery exhibit. It is a foregathering of Thetas to weld our friendships deeper,

to spend our time in fellowship with one another and with nature in her rarest beauty. The happy days and glorious evenings awaiting you at Minnewaska have no relation to the number, or newness, of your frocks.

Our hostesses have given us the charm of simple surroundings for convention, the Council has striven for the same simplicity in the program plans, we beg you to carry this simplicity to its highest power through the avoidance of the ostentation and display into which modern false standards tempt one. Such display is unfitting this gathering of the clan for refreshing of faith in the finest of ideals.

HOTELS IN NEW YORK RECOMMENDED BY THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Martha Washington, 29 East 29th street

Rooms, \$1.50 to \$5.00, a day

Meals, à la carte

The Seville, 29th street and Madison avenue

Rooms, single \$2.00 and up, double \$2.50 and up, a day

Meals, à la carte

Marie Antoinette, 67th street and Broadway

Rooms, single \$2.00 and up, double \$4.00 and up, a day

Meals, à la carte

Marseilles, 103d street and Broadway

Rooms, single \$1.50 and up, double \$2.00 and up, a day

Meals, à la carte

Margaret Louisa Home, 14 East 16th street

Rooms, single \$.85 and \$.90, double \$.65 and .70 each person,

a day

Meals, à la carte, or breakfast \$.25, luncheon \$.25, dinner \$.50

Bible teachers training school, 541 Lexington avenue

Rooms, single \$1.00, double \$2.00, a day

Meals, not served at convention time.

All those desirous of remaining in New York after convention must make their own hotel arrangements. They should mention their connections with the Convention when writing any of the above hotels. The committee will be glad to give advice.

Evelyn Holt, 14 West 55th street.

OUR HOUSE PARTY

The opening session of convention will convene Tuesday afternoon, June 24, at 3 o'clock. That evening, following brief district reunions, there will be a national song fest and general "jolly-up."

Business sessions will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday mornings. Wednesday's session will be devoted to the "position of fraternities today." Thursday's session will be given over to a debate on extension and a study of Panhellenic problems. Friday's session will include the consideration of the proposed new code and all unfinished business.

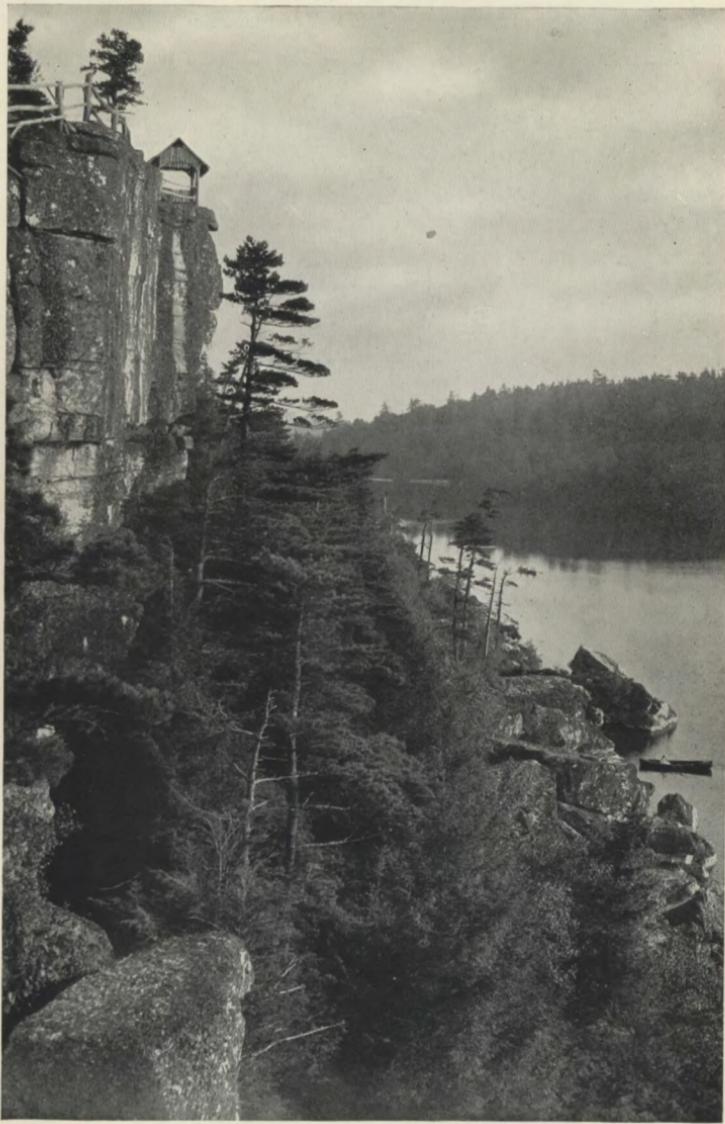
Wednesday afternoon there will be a special alumnae session to consider the problem of alumnae organization. An hour of this same afternoon will be reserved for committee meetings. Otherwise this will be a free afternoon—to be spent as each one chooses; organized walking parties will be a feature of the attractions offered. In the evening comes the Stunt party, which promises to be unique and lots of fun.

Thursday afternoon there will be water sports and a tennis tournament (tennis player's please come prepared to participate). The same afternoon the members of the Grand council, assisted by the District presidents, will hold informal "At homes" for convention delegates and visitors. In the evening comes the Model ritual, under the supervision of Alpha Beta.

Friday noon there will be chapter luncheons. That afternoon there will be informal, voluntary, conferences, one of college chapter presidents, one of chapter corresponding secretaries, one of chapter treasurers, one of chapter editors, one of Panhellenic delegates; also a conference for alumnae chapter officers, and a "rushing ideas" exchange. In the evening comes the most significant, closing event—the convention banquet.

THETA SERVICE

In view of the severe criticism to which fraternities have been subjected in recent years, the spirit of unrest manifest in the fraternities themselves is fraught with significance. Among our own girls



LAKE MINNEWASKA

this spirit carries no suggestion of disloyalty nor does it question the desirability of fraternities, either for the girl in college or for the graduate, but there is a growing belief that Thetas—as Thetas—should exert a more definite influence in the educational world. When we were freshmen in college the older girls talked to us in a beautiful and inspiring way of the "ideal womanhood" and of Theta's hopes and aspirations toward the development of her ideals, and I think we all shared a sense of responsibility and uplift that could not help being beneficial. But it has always seemed to me unfortunate that the term itself—"ideal womanhood"—never had a more clearly defined meaning but has necessarily stood for five thousand different things to five thousand different Thetas.

At the present time in our country, conditions exist that help us in attaining a uniform understanding of this phrase. Woman's opportunities now are greater than ever before; at the same time there is increasing danger that she may fail rightly to understand these opportunities. We know that the militant suffragette does not typify ideal womanhood. But we know, too, that the woman who holds herself aloof from all civic interests on the theory that woman's sphere is limited to her home, is just as far from the realization of our ideals. Rather, she has attained ideal womanhood who has been able to recognize the inevitable intermingling of civic and home interests and who is able quietly to adjust her life to a wise and sane blending of the two responsibilities.

In striving for this ideal womanhood is Theta of any practical aid to us or are we approaching our ideals in spite of our fraternity associations? This, it seems to me, is our test.

The tendency of modern education is toward the professions and the business world and away from the home, and therein lies its chief fault. Every girl who leaves college—indeed every girl as she enters college—is asked over and over again, "What are you going to be" or "What are you going to do," and the girl who has the courage to say that she hopes to establish a home and become as far as in her lies, a perfect wife and mother, is indeed a rare exception. College women seem to feel that they have not justified their four years of university work, if when they graduate they are not "fitted" for some vocation—

some vocation, that is, other than mere home building. Yet surely every girl knows, deep in her heart, that to have a home and children is her finest hope for the future.

One possible explanation of this unfortunate tendency is, perhaps, a girl's modest hesitation in allowing herself to consider definitely a home and husband when both are uncertain factors in her life. So she refuses to give serious consideration to the matter, and allows the washing of dishes, the making of beds, and the preparation of meals to typify to her a home-keeper's entire responsibility. That the modern housekeeper and mother does give time and thought to the correct performance of these duties is of course true and I would emphasize rather than belittle their importance and dignity; but what the college girl does not realize is that the modern mother is brought face to face with social and civic problems of tremendous interest and importance—problems that have a direct bearing on her home and her children and that demand the best work of her trained mind.

This is especially true of the women of our state where equal suffrage has recently been granted and where we now have an actual voice in the management of our cities. Whether believers in suffrage or not, the responsibilities of the voter are ours and we realize that to become familiar with merely our local issues, is a tremendous task; that to be able to think clearly and judge wisely on questions of such importance as, for instance, public school management and the selection of honest and efficient public officers, implies hard work and real study; yet these matters exert a direct and powerful influence on the future of our children and we do not even approach our ideal womanhood if we do not protect our homes and better the conditions surrounding them.

Is it not clear that our university instruction lacks an essential element when it fails to recognize the importance of these things, and fails to give practical training for them? And is not this Theta's opportunity to use her influence against the trend toward professional life by encouraging the deliberate choice of home building as a vocation, and to give point to her encouragement by requiring the correct performance of practical home duties by the girls in college,

and by providing a course of instruction on civic problems, thus not only establishing in the mind of the college girl a clearer vision of ideal womanhood, but providing a practical foundation for the working out of her ideals?

The practical carrying out of these suggestions is entirely feasible if the girls themselves are sufficiently interested. Where alumnae and active chapters are located in the same city, it is a comparatively simple matter for the older girls to direct the younger. When an alumnae chapter is at some distance from its college, the matter is more difficult, but not impossible, to adjust. In any event, the study of civic problems has now become essential, especially in our nine suffrage states, and much can be done in this way toward fitting us for the ever-increasing responsibilities which are being placed upon us.

President Wheeler of the University of California has said that "if fraternities are to continue they must make themselves useful in terms of the university service to the public." What better service could Theta give than this practical assistance in solving the problems that inevitably must be met and the preparation for which is not given in the ordinary university course? Woman approaches the ideal as she more nearly fills the position in life to which she has been assigned and that fraternity justifies its existence which furnishes some practical aid toward the accomplishment of this ideal.

Katherine Stoughton Hart, Omega Alumnae.

BROOKLYN AND ADELPHI

I am sure that every Theta who has not been in New York city, has certainly read or heard a great deal about it. You doubtless know all about its historic spots, its sky-scrappers, and cosmopolitan crowds. And I am likewise sure that some of you do not know much about Brooklyn beyond the fact that it is the "home town" of Alpha Kappa.

Brooklyn is just "across the river" and is closely bound to New York by its subway system which runs under the East river. It only takes a few minutes to go from New York to Brooklyn; to be exact, only six minutes! The two cities are further bound together by three bridges which span the river. You can trolley across from New York,

or walk across. One of the most fairy-like scenes you could wish to view can be had from any one of these bridges at about dusk ; the high buildings on either side of the river are then ablaze with light and cast their shining reflections upon the smooth waters of the river ; ferry-boats and tug-boats that appear like bejeweled toy boats (viewed from the height of the bridge), puff loudly up and down the river ; and the bridges appear like some fairy structure suspended from the sky, glittering with lights, over which, every few minutes, streaks of fire seem to rush, which resemble a comet's tail, but are in reality, prosaic elevated trains !

Almost all the trolleys run along Fulton street, which marks the business section of Brooklyn. Here are located all the large stores, restaurants, tea-rooms, and theatres. Fulton street is very busy and popular and thronged with crowds of people every afternoon between two and six o'clock. But Brooklyn is most proud of her residential sections, where are located some of the most beautiful homes in either New York or Brooklyn. Our parks and boulevards are especially attractive ; Prospect Park marks the place where Washington fought the battle of Long Island. At its entrance, are located the Art museum, one of the city reservoirs, and a large arch which commemorates the bravery of the soldiers and sailors who fought in the Civil War.

Just a word about the people of Brooklyn. If I were asked for their chief characteristic I should say it was their loyalty. Every Brooklynite is a member of the "Boost Brooklyn Club" whose purpose is to "boost" Brooklyn, to make her the finest and most healthful city in America. It is because the Brooklyn people show such loyalty to the welfare of their city, that Adelphi feels so confident that with their support, she will soon be a college, second to none.

Until last fall, Adelphi had been a co-educational college ; through a change of policy it has now become a college for women. The standard of Adelphi is as high as that of any women's college in the country ; but unfortunately we are very poor and lack the means to carry out our ideals. However, money is pouring into our treasury and we feel that the realization of our cherished design of establishing a senior house and a junior house, is drawing very near. Moreover we have almost succeeded in raising our \$500,000 endowment

fund, due to the efforts of Professor Coar, who has been called the "Wizard of Adelphi" because in three months, he not only succeeded in covering the annual deficit of \$11,000, but placed the college on a self-supporting basis.

Doctor Coar has organized two formidable armies to help him in his great work; one is composed of some of Brooklyn's foremost women, and is known as the Adelphi college auxillary; the other army is composed of prominent Brooklyn men and is known as the Adelphi associates.

Do you wonder when such enthusiasm and interest are shown by the Brooklyn people that we are so confident that we are going to see all our hopes and desires fulfilled?

Brooklyn needs a home college and this is what Adelphi is. Doctor Coar says: "The girl in the home college brings the atmosphere into her home every day. Her parents come in contact with college people, imbibe college ideas and they, too, are benefited. Such a college leavens the whole community.

Marguerite Behman.

SPECIAL TRAINING CENTERS FOR VOCATIONAL WORK FOR WOMEN

On every side we hear that this is an age for new professions for women. Educators tell us so, the United States Census tells us so and friends who have walked in the new paths of usefulness tell us of the unoccupied fields that were all about them. There is no longer any need that women unfitted for teaching should drift into this profession because it is the one with which they are most familiar. Or, if teaching in itself is a congenial task, though full enthusiasm cannot be given to the classic curriculum, there are those subjects to be taught which relate directly to the everyday life of everyday people, such courses as are given in the technical schools, trade schools and schools of salesmanship. For many years the satisfying possibilities in the teaching of physical training, home economics, and household arts have been considered by thoughtful undergraduates the best professional schools for graduate courses known. Not

yet does the supply of teachers for these subjects even nearly equal the demand. There are certain phases of librarianship and nursing, time honored women's professions, which have an inadequate supply of workers. The business world calls loudly for women of fine mental energy and a business sense. Positions in department stores, worth \$5000 a year, are awaiting college women.

It is my purpose to speak of some of the training centers which lead to positions for which there is great demand at present. For mercantile positions the training school is simply a strenuous apprenticeship. Some managers of department stores say that a college bred woman, all other things being favorable, can become buyer in two years at most and in three or four years command a \$5000 salary. Her apprenticeship would be the regular routine of the saleswoman.

In the field of library work the children's department is comparatively new and the need for trained workers of pleasing personality, experience, and sympathy with children, and knowledge of children's books greatly exceeds the demand. The Carnegie library training school for children's librarians is at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. For information address the Director, Frances F. Olcott. Unfortunately librarianship is almost universally an underpaid profession.

In the nursing profession attractive and responsible positions, administrative and educational, are awaiting women of good education plus hospital training. Great care in the selection of a nurses' school should be taken by one who hopes to become a teacher-nurse, or hospital superintendent. These positions are influential and distinguished and are highly paid. Then, too, the educated woman who is also a trained nurse has unlimited opportunities in the broad field of preventive social work.

The establishment of graduate schools for social workers is the outgrowth of two increasingly recognized facts: first, humanitarian work, public and private, has come to be regarded as skilled professional service; and second, such work is not adequate unless accompanied by research which leads to the prevention of evils or to the removal of conditions which promote and perpetuate them. The

prevalence of civil service laws is gradually throwing open to capable persons the management of public institutions both charitable and reformatory, and the more highly specialized work of social and civic research. At present in the New York Bureau of municipal research sixteen women are employed. Where one woman probational officer in the Juvenile courts is needed today, within five years twenty will be needed. This work appeals strongly to one who has large child-saving instincts. Positions in pure research exist at present under state and national bureaus of labor, the Russell Sage foundation, state and national special commissions, child labor committees, Consumers' leagues, etc. As Miss Susan Kingsbury explains the essential qualifications for success in research, they are "an intense desire to seek the truth and to cleave to the truth, unwillingness to accept a verdict unless clearly proved, and to insist upon cumulative testimony before accepting the evidence as conclusive; powers of concentration and of 'infinite pains'; ability to understand a situation from the point of view of another rather than from one's own experience,—a certain type of imagination,—and ability to conceive of every kind of procedure to secure information,—another type of imagination."

Each of our larger cities has its school for social workers, Boston, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, and St. Louis. Special schools training workers for the whole country are the Hartford school of moral and religious pedagogy and the Training school for secretaries of the Young Women's Christian association, New York. All these schools are undergoing rapid development with new facilities for study and practice and larger numbers of students each year. The schools do not offer every possible course of study which one might wish to take. In which case it is only necessary to arrange for individual instruction from the national expert in the chosen line of work. After one month of such attention a college woman of my acquaintance was ready to take a position as tenement house inspector under a Board of health or as investigator of housing conditions under a bureau of municipal research.

As a balance to a four years academic course a year in one of these schools is invaluable to a young woman. It arouses her from a

natural academic aloofness and shows her how she can make her theoretical education a vital, constructive thing in the world. It brings her in touch with all the great movements of the day on foot for social uplift. Study in social workers' schools is made as inexpensive as possible and there are even a few scholarships.

The oldest of these schools is the New York school of philanthropy, 105 East 22d street, affiliated with Columbia university. The school needs no further endorsement than the name of the director, Dr. Edward T. Devine. Dr. Devine is also professor of social economy in Columbia university and is everywhere considered a leader in economic discussion. The advantageous and strongly supervised field work is noticeable in the curriculum of this school. So also in the Chicago school of civics and philanthropy. This school emphasizes, perhaps more than others, a close correlation of civic, industrial, and social agencies with public and private philanthropies. The paid positions for which they aim to train are in charity, reformatory, child helping, settlement and civic work; neighborhood and public school centers; supervision of playgrounds, summer camps and outings, and indoor recreations; educational and welfare agencies in factories and stores; juvenile court probation work and compulsory educational service; social effort of the churches; expert investigation in social research. Dr. Graham Taylor, whose constructive social teaching makes him not less known among social workers than Miss Jane Addams, is the director of the Chicago school. For information address 116 South Michigan avenue.

The Philadelphia training school for social work is at 419 South 15th street. Address William O. Eastman, Director. St. Louis school of social economy is affiliated with Washington University: Address 1827 Locust Street.

Boston has two centers for study. The School for social workers, maintained by Simmons college and Harvard university, 9 Hamilton Place, and the Woman's educational and industrial union, 264 Boylston street. This school is unique in that it trains for the teaching of salesmanship and teaching in trade schools. It has also a pure research department.

The Hartford school of moral and religious pedagogy, 1544 Broad

street, Hartford, Connecticut, is soon to be housed in its own fully equipped building in beautiful park-like surroundings. The cultural life of the school is also worthy of emphasis, affiliated as it is with Hartford theological seminary. The courses lay stress on the most advanced child psychology, fitting students to cope with defective mental and moral types of children as well as to teach moral and religious truth in connection with churches.

The National training school of the Young Women's Christian association is situated at 600 Lexington avenue, New York, in a building dedicated last December. Ideal physical living conditions, beautiful surroundings—in themselves a call into the profession—all that is best in home life has been provided for the students because of the belief that such qualities as home develops are needed in addition to academic and technical training by the professional women who go out to make Christianity attractive and to protect and develop young women. There are probably about eight or nine hundred positions in Young Women's Christian associations for college women with added professional training. Fully 15% of these must be filled by incoming workers each year. The Training school is a very center of expansion for a great movement for girls.

Any student about to choose a career will do well to consult first her natural taste for a field of activity and then decide upon a phase of that work in which to specialize, assuring herself that though her profession is comparatively new, through the training center there will be opportunity to profit by the experiences of others and in her work there will be opportunity for all the creative power that is in her.

E. Mabel Brownell, Eta Alumnae.

WHY DETROIT?

The above title capped an article in the St. Louis *Mirror* about two years ago by a leading journalist, who under that head diagnoses Detroit's case of peculiar prosperity. Not content with stealing his title, I have also used his ideas to temper my own feelings, for having lived all my life in Detroit and having been fed on reminiscences of

the town in the generation before my own. I have felt that my unaided conclusions were hardly more to be trusted than one's judgment of the members of one's own family.

Before answering the question, "Why Detroit?" meaning in this case, "Why should the convention delegates stop in Detroit?" we might well speak a moment of the earlier stop at Ann Arbor, the modest home of the "Mother of state universities." To be sure the college buildings are, with few exceptions, of no architectural beauty and the Michigan campus has no such varied charm as many others possess, but here dwells a great institution with glorious traditions—"Goddess of the inland seas." You'll be glad to know Michigan environment from a personal visit. Beside here is Eta's home, one of the chapter houses provided by loyal alumnae—a home of much significance in a dormitoryless college town.

But the "special" cannot linger at every interesting point and Detroit is a wise choice. First, because it may be said to mark the border line between the east and west. It is neither east nor west, or rather it is both—the temperament and attitude of the east in a western setting. The explanation of this fact is not far to seek. Massachusetts and Eastern New York have given largely of their blood to our town and New England traditions are planted deep in the life of Detroit.

But these influences have been modified by another equally strong which has served to eliminate to a great extent the extreme Puritan element that might otherwise have prevailed. For Detroit is in her origin French and the French element in her social life is still very strong. It manifests itself to the stranger only in the many streets with French names and in such reminders of our history as Cadillac and Ponchartrain (the names of the two leading hotels), the first, the name of the founder of the city, and the second that of the fort which he established here in 1701. Thus Detroit has been under three flags and has had a romantic history, which, however has no place in this brief sketch.

There are still out-of-the-way corners in Detroit that seem like bits of the old world and one of our local artists has very cleverly discovered some of these spots and put them on canvas. And French

spirit persists in less material ways—particularly in the love of outdoor, particularly of street life which is characteristic of Detroit. In this aspect, and in some others Detroit has the appearance much more of the small town than of the really great city of between five and six hundred thousand people. Indeed Detroit is a strange mingling of bigness and smallness—of the metropolitan and the provincial. This incongruity is the natural result of the marvelous growth of the city in the last few years. A sixty-three per cent gain in population between 1900 and 1910 will, from all indications, be surpassed by the gain from 1910 to 1920.

And if we ask why Detroit has grown so rapidly, yet so steadily and safely, why one great industry after another seeks location here, and why so many people in choosing a home city decide upon Detroit, we may find the reply in the following facts: in the moderate climate tempered by the great bodies of water near; in the wonderful location on the broad, deep, and beautiful river, navigable by ocean steamers, which may also lie safely at the docks; in the fertile agricultural country at its back and extending the hand of trade across the water to Canada; and in the unusually pleasant living conditions the city affords. In spite of the many great industries here—of which the automobile factories, stove works, drug houses are only a few in which we excel all other cities—Detroit is singularly free from labor troubles, largely, we believe, because of the opportunities for outdoor recreation the city offers to the working man. The river and our lovely island park, Belle Isle, are accessible at a very small expenditure of time or money, and he and his family take advantage of the opportunity. Belle Isle and the river are in truth our chief pride—the island at the head of the river, three miles long and a mile wide, a happy combination of wild and cultivated nature and a paradise for children; and the river a constant panorama of every kind of craft, for more tonnage passes through the Detroit river than through any other river in the world, more than enters New York harbor, and more than double that through the Suez Canal.

You need not be surprised to hear almost any foreign tongue upon the street, for Detroit is a most cosmopolitan place. It might astonish you to know that we have a Polish colony of 100,000 in our

midst, and perhaps 20,000 Italians with smaller numbers from almost every other Southern European country including Turkey.

With all its outward expansion Detroit has a much more conservative character than many smaller cities. She is also developing a strong civic consciousness and a genuine love of art. She glories in one great art collection—a private one—the wonderful gallery of Whistlers and the famous Peacock Room, owned by Mr. Charles Freer, which we cherish the more as it will some day take wing to the Smithsonian Institute.

Whatever other attractions or faults our big, little, old, new city has, you will no doubt notice chiefly a certain spaciousness, due to its wide avenues even in the down town sections; and a certain "homeyness" which it has not yet lost. It is a city of homes, not merely imposing residences, but street upon street of moderate but attractive and varied homes, which bespeak a wholesome life. We wish you might linger long enough to enjoy the hospitality of the homes of those most interested in your coming—the Thetas of Detroit, who will try to prove to you in a few short hours that my pen is all too weak to fitly portray the charms of the "City of the Straits."

Myra Post Cady, Eta.

ALUMNAE ADVISERS

Among those who labor officially for the upbuilding of Kappa Alpha Theta, no one has more opportunity for helpful service than has the alumna adviser. It is right that the fraternity should know these quiet workers at each college. We regret that space limitations and the great personal modesty of the advisers themselves limit our introduction to mere names. Kappa Alpha Thetas, these are your faithful college chapter advisers:

President of Beta Alpha district, adviser to Alpha.

Mrs. E. H. Lindley, adviser to Beta

Miss Arda Know, adviser to Gamma

Miss Margaret Niver, adviser to Delta

Mrs. Myra Post Cady, adviser to Eta

The Grand secretary, adviser to Iota

Miss Mary Maude Smeltzer, adviser to Kappa
Miss Mary Bates, adviser to Lambda
Miss Emma Edson, adviser to Mu
Miss Julia Hainer, adviser of Rho
Mrs. Mabel Millman Hincks, adviser of Sigma
Miss Alta Miller, adviser of Tau
President of Delta Gamma district, adviser of Alpha Theta
Mrs. Elsie Branner Fowler, adviser for Phi
Miss Clara Carson, adviser of Chi
Mrs. E. B. Skinner, adviser of Psi
Mrs. Emma Morgan North, adviser of Omega
Mrs. Eugene Rounsvell Overturff, adviser of Alpha Gamma
Miss Christie Dulaney, adviser to Alpha Delta
Miss Stella Vaughn, adviser of Alpha Eta
President of Delta Gamma district, adviser of Alpha Theta
Miss Winona Petring, adviser of Alpha Iota
Miss Caroline Sutphin, adviser of Alpha Kappa
Mrs. Buelah Smith Jones, adviser of Alpha Lambda
President of Delta Beta district, adviser of Alpha Mu
Miss Eloise Knowles, adviser of Alpha Nu
Miss Norma Hendricks, adviser of Alpha Xi
Mrs. May Melvin Brown, adviser of Alpha Omicron
Their Patronesses, advisers to Alpha Pi
Mrs. Carl Anderson, adviser of Alpha Rho

WHAT KAPPA ALPHA THETA CAN DO

A. For a college:

1. It can co-operate with the authorities of the college in maintaining the scholarship of the institution. A student might take failure in her college work lightly, being only one among a large number, whereas she would be unwilling to fall below the record her fraternity has undertaken to preserve.
2. By its mediation and surveillance over its members it can aid the college in the maintenance of discipline. The timely interference of esteemed and intimate associates is often more effectual than the threats of authority.

3. It can make any college more attractive to prospective students, but more especially that college which offers no dormitory protection to its women students. Prudent parents are much more apt to consider a college where their daughters can enjoy the benefits of a well-ordered home life such as the fraternity house offers.

B. For the non-fraternity student:

1. Standards of conduct are contagious among maturing beings, and thus our fraternity's ideals along moral, social, and intellectual lines may project their influence even beyond the chapter circle. This can create a wholesome rivalry for scholarship between fraternity and non-fraternity students, and can raise the standard in college politics, preventing meanness and pettiness in class elections.

C. For its active members:

The close intimacy of fraternity life can help overcome weaknesses which would tend to grow more accentuated in the isolated student.

1. It can teach the "grind" the value of interests other than study alone.

2. She who puts too much emphasis on social affairs can be prevented from indulging in such to the detriment of her mental development.

3. It can draw out girls who tend to be backward and who lack self-confidence.

4. It can discourage forwardness, vulgarity of manner and language, and can teach that dishonesty and immorality are always and everywhere unworthy.

5. Especially in its timid, inexperienced members it can develop the ability to carry responsibilities, thereby teaching the great truth of the interdependence of human beings.

6. It can help one who has to make her own way through college to do so more easily than would be possible if she stood alone.

7. It can prevent the influence of a fine alumna from being restricted to her college contemporaries alone, conserving such in-

fluence for many succeeding college generations through the agency of fraternity tradition.

D. For an Alumna:

1. It can assure an alumna, whether she be travelling or permanently away from home, of a ready-made circle of friends provided she be within reach of a chapter, active or alumnae; for "once a Theta, always and everywhere a Theta" is our sentiment and between two wearers of the Kite, though otherwise total strangers, the wall of reserve is broken.

2. It can make the alumna realize even more keenly than the undergraduate that her chapter is a close bond between herself and her college. Through her chapter she keeps alive her interest in and her love for her Alma Mater and comes in touch with the modern educational or cultural movements with which it is identified. *Emma Weitz, Mu Alumnae.*

OUR CONVENTION CITY

Every one has some particular Mecca in each city visited, be it for the first or for the ninety-ninth time. Countless guide books and friendly advisers furnish one with lists of "things one *must* see". All figures as to size, all details as to history, indeed all facts regarding New York we leave you to garner from these willing aids, limiting this article to some of the things that two lovers of New York's charms deem most worth while.

You've all loved the glitter and sparkle of the palaces of Fairy tale days. Come then after dark and walk up Broadway from Thirtieth street to Fifty-ninth (or thereabouts). Did your Fairy story picture anything more delightful than this real picture?

If Broadway is glorious at night, Fifth avenue is fascinating by day. From Thirtieth street walk up one side of the Avenue, stopping in any or all of the tantalizingly attractive shops, then at Fiftieth street enter into the peace and old world beauty of St. Patrick's cathedral. Then down on the other side of the Avenue, with another pause, perhaps, for a feast of art and literature at the Library building, or for lunch at one of the Tea shops on a side street.

But you are weary of sight seeing on foot—very well, then lets ride awhile. Hail a Fifth avenue bus (auto) and on its top ride down to Washington square; then take a bus, sign "Riverside and 135th street", and back up the Avenue, past the Park, out on Riverside drive to one of the city's monuments, Grant's tomb.

Another pleasant ride is through Central Park, also a charming place to stroll. An auto bus, sign "Ninety and Fifth avenue," will take you to the Metropolitan museum of art in the heart of the Park. When you are weary of pictures, you'll find carriages near the museum that will drive you through the main thoroughfares of the park.

Down town—away down—is a fascinating region, too, with its mingling of history, past and present. Here is the Sub-treasury of the United States, standing just where our first President was inaugurated. There is the Custom house, an architectural wonder, erected upon the site of Fort Amsterdam. Across Bowling Green, itself a quaint oasis in these tunnel streets, is the Produce exchange, where you can see (and hear) money in the making. In grave contrast to all this twentieth century progress, stand Trinity church and St. Paul's chapel, two churches—and churchyards—you will find interesting. This is also the land of the skyscraper—the view of the city from one of these towers is well worth seeing, perhaps it is best seen from the Metropolitan or the Singer tower.

A Broadway car, bound south, will take you out of this congested activity and leave you in Battery park, where you can stroll along the sea wall and enjoy the wonderful harbor sights. All sorts of water craft pass by, the great steamers from Europe, ferry boats, canal tows, noisy tugs, revenue cutters, yachts, sail boats, and even the ubiquitous gasoline launch. An especial delight is to be here when Castle William's sunset gun gives the signal that kindles the torch of Liberty and calls forth the twinkling light-house beacons.

Not one of the possible boat rides in the harbor is more interesting than the ride from the Battery to the Statue of Liberty, or the ferry-boat ride from the same Park to Staten island.

The subway to One-hundred and sixteenth street will leave you near Columbia university, which of course you want to see. Not

very far from the university is the Cathedral of St. John, which is to be America's greatest church—indeed it will be a fair rival of the cathedrals of France. Already it is a dignified, pleasing church, where one enjoys either attending service or just visiting on a week day.

Some seventy streets beyond Columbia is University heights with the University of New York and its widely known Hall of Fame.

Between and betwixt the Battery and the Heights are many other things to fill your time and thoughts; no matter how long you may stay, there are still things to see, and always there are the theaters to enjoy. If it is your fortune to leave from the wonderful new New York central terminal, then you should see the magnificent Pennsylvania station before spending at least the "hour before train time" in your home-going station. If you leave by the Pennsylvania, then reverse this plan. But, if you are to take one of the "subway or ferry" Jersey roads, then include both these stations in your "seeing New York" days, for there is nothing just like them anywhere, though the Northwestern at Chicago and the Union at Washington are as wonderful stations in their own individual way.

Whether you can stay two hours or two weeks in New York, there will be plenty to see and the stay well worth while.

WHAT I EXPECT TO GAIN FROM CONVENTION

What do I expect to gain from Convention? Aside from the good times, the jollifications, which are after all, though indispensable, still a somewhat extraneous part of Convention week; aside from these what do I expect to gain from four days' stay at Lake Minnewaska?

First, I expect to gain breadth of outlook. By coming into contact with all sorts of girls from all sorts of places I expect to lose somewhat of the self-satisfied narrowness of thought bred by life on our New England hill-top.

A thing that I shall inevitably gain is a clearer conception of what Kappa Alpha Theta is and for what it stands. I shall learn

that it is something other than a number of groups of girls who it is true wear the same kite, but who are striving for widely different ends and are actuated by varying motives. I shall come to know that Kappa Alpha Theta is, above all else a unit working as a unit for one high goal and fostering always the same high ideals.

Lastly I shall receive for my own inner and personal life the inspiration which comes from contact with earnest, purposeful girls and splendid women who have tasted the bitter and the sweet in life, and who by their quiet influence help others to solve their problems.

But, after all, is it not true that "the measure which ye mete shall be measured to you again"? And shall we all not gain from Convention just as much as we have given to Convention"?

Georgia E. Gifford, Lambda,

COLLEGE FRATERNITIES

"The time is coming, if it be not already here, when the Greek letter fraternities of the country will be severely overhauled and asked to give an account of their stewardship. If they do not prove themselves to be an instrument of betterment they will surely go. Personally, I am one of those who believe in recognizing the fraternities and utilizing them for the good of the university. They exist. They have occupied a gap in the equipment of student life. The students enjoy them. They represent a certain endowment of loyalty and affection. All this is good and may be used to the advantage of the university.

"We have found at Berkeley means of bringing the fraternity into official connection with the university through the co-operation of the Adviser with the council of representatives from the various fraternities. The fraternities are thereby made responsible for the scholarship of their members. They ought to furnish a student a better scholarly stimulus than he would otherwise get. Resident graduates, who should have rooms in the chapter house and be counsellors to the undergraduates, might well be appointed, after the model of tutors in the colleges of an English university, to endowed positions in the chapter. The time is surely coming when the schol-

arship standing of each fraternity will be made known to the university world. The general standing of the fraternities before the community, and their ability to get members, is coming to be very largely determined by their repute with the faculty.

"The Greek letter fraternity, like the student clubs, must undertake to aid the university in solving the problem of student residence. It must furnish for the student who is a member, a better and more orderly home than he would otherwise enjoy. One of the first correctives we need to apply to the present chapter house system affects internal order and a stimulus to the intellectual life.

"It is perfectly clear to me that if the Greek letter fraternities are to continue they must keep pace with the rapid development of the American university; they must make themselves useful in terms of the university's service to the public. There is no doubt that in their inception these organizations represented a callow boyish enthusiasm with undue use of secrecy and exclusiveness. The early tendency toward exclusiveness is dying out; the secrecy no longer amounts to anything. The snobbishness and exclusiveness have certainly disappeared in the University of California as it must everywhere eventually disappear in the face of American dislike for such things. The fraternities of the future are therefore replacing the meaningless secrecy with a fine spirit of home life and aiming to make the chapter and the chapter house a contribution to better morals, better thinking and better living. The apparently shallow and perverse Greek letter fraternity system is becoming an institution of helpfulness in student life." *Benjamin Ide Wheeler* in *The University Occident*, March 14, 1913.

THE PASSING OF EPSILON

It is with keen regret that the Grand council announces the suspension of our chapter Epsilon at Wooster university. The charter was surrendered on February 15, 1913, as a result of University action unfavorable to fraternities.

Thirty-eight years ago this May, Epsilon was chartered and in all that time has been a true, strong chapter. Our sympathy and loyalty go to the two-hundred-and-twenty-six Thetas that call Epsilon

their chapter. May they continue to enjoy chapter life through allegiance to alumnae chapters or by affiliation with other college chapters. No action of Wooster authorities can deprive them of their Thetahood. A welcome awaits them in every chapter.

Grand Council.

BRIEF HISTORY OF EPSILON

Just five years after the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta at Green-castle, Indiana, Epsilon chapter was established at the University of Wooster, on May 12, 1875, through the united efforts of Mary Parsons, Ada Mullins, Susan Given, and Kate McSweeny. Although they received little or no sympathy in their undertaking, they persisted until the chapter had gained a firm footing. Being the first women's fraternity established at Wooster, the chapter has ever been an enthusiastic and prosperous worker in fraternity circles. Never since its organization has it been reduced either in members or strength. It now enlists two hundred and twenty-six members on its roll. Twice the chapter has had the honor of entertaining the national convention, in 1881 and in 1886. It has furnished two Grand Presidents, Lenora Hanna Cox and Harriet Funk Miller. Many members of this chapter have taken their places as educators or in filling other positions of honor and trust. Among those who have won a position for themselves in the world of letters may be mentioned Mrs. Helen Watterson Moody, who has been a regular contributor to the *New York Evening Sun* and *Scribners magazine* as well as writing occasionally for the *Forum*, *Harpers* and the *Cosmopolitan*. Miss Mae Pepper, Carrie Pepper, Lurannus Robertson, Mary Henderson, and Mrs. Florence Johnson Highbee may also be mentioned as bringing special honors upon their Alma Mater by their laudable literary efforts. Although the girls of more recent years may not yet have won fame, they have taken their places creditably in college life and have worked zealously for the fraternity. From the time of the establishment of the chapter up till its suspension, along with other fraternities here represented, on February 15, 1913, the history of the chapter has been one of progress and happiness, and its outlook one of the greatest encouragement. *Mary N. Mateer.*

THE WOOSTER CASE

Statement of University of Wooster Alumni Interfraternity Committee, giving sequence of recent fraternity events in said university prior to and in connection with resolution of Board of Trustees prohibiting further initiations passed February 13, 1913.

The following list of dates is given for the readers' information and references, to wit:—

- 1866. University of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, chartered.
- September 7, 1870. University opened and formally dedicated.
- June, 1871. Phi Kappa Psi, Ohio Gamma chapter, installed.
- May 12, 1872. Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Lambda chapter, installed.
- December 1872. Phi Delta Theta, Ohio Delta chapter, installed.
- March 2, 1873. Sigma Chi, Beta chapter, installed.
- June 1875. Kappa Alpha Theta, Epsilon chapter, installed.
- May 15, 1876. Kappa Kappa Gamma, Beta Gamma chapter, installed.
- 1880. Delta Tau Delta, Psi chapter, installed.
- May 26, 1882. Phi Gamma Delta, Rho Deuteron chapter, installed.
- December 20, 1888. Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Mu chapter, installed.
- July, 1907. Beta Theta Pi, chapter purchases ground for its chapter house in proximity to the university campus.
- September 20, 1910. Pi Beta Phi, Ohio Gamma chapter, installed.
- March 23, 1912. Delta Delta Delta, Delta Delta chapter, installed.
- June 1, 1912. Sigma Phi Epsilon, Ohio Delta chapter, installed.
- June 18, 1912. Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Chi chapters purchase ground for chapter houses on site adjoining the campus upon Trustees' approval thereof.
- February 13, 1913. Trustees' Resolution prohibiting further fraternity initiations.
- May 1, 1908. Petition made by alumni and former student members of fraternities to faculty and trustees asking for sanction of permanent ownership of chapter houses by Wooster fraternity alumni organizations. Hearing of petition and alumni discussion before the faculty.
- June 6, 1908. Answer of faculty to the petition was made, declining at that time to sanction chapter house ownership, and averring that the permanency of fraternity system was not yet settled.

The answer, *inter alia*, was as follows:

"On the whole matter of the permanency of fraternities in the university, as determined by their favorable influence on its spiritual, social and intel-

lectual life, the faculty at this time is not prepared to declare a policy for an indefinite future, which would create large vested interests and would be considered as settling both questions affirmatively, viz: the permanency of fraternities and the multiplication of chapter houses."

In declining the request for immediate authorization of regular owned chapter houses, the answer further stated:—

"That the faculty would continue carefully its habitual observation and study of the fraternities and related questions in accordance with the specific action of the Board of trustees, which some years ago committed the administration of this whole matter to them".

N. B. This Collegiate faculty action was by a mere majority vote, secured by voting librarian, music and preparatory school professors.

June 17, 1908. Alumni petition together with faculty answer heard by the Board of trustees and alumni discussion thereof had before said Board. As a result the Board of trustees withdrew the administration of fraternities from the faculty, and by a vote of 22 to 1 adopted the following:

"Resolved, That the Board of trustees looks upon the Greek letter fraternities in Wooster as organizations whose general purpose and character is in harmony with the aims and spirit of the University, and favors their continuance and extension under proper supervision by this Board".

June 17, 1908²⁴. Board of trustees appointed a committee to investigate the workings of the chapter house system of fraternities in other colleges and to formulate a system of supervision for membership in fraternities and for the ownership of chapter houses in Wooster; to report at the February, 1909, meeting of the Board, of which action the fraternities were duly advised. Alumni interfraternity committee present writing to the Board offering to co-operate on above matters.

September, 1908. Set of rules prepared by Doctor Holden for consideration.

October, 1908. Set of rules prepared by Trustees' committee for consideration.

November 21, 1908. The executive committee of the Board of trustees (the Board of trustees ad interim) authorize re-establishment of Psi chapter of Delta Tau Delta and the establishment of a new chapter of Pi Beta Phi.

N. B. Accordingly petitions for these chapters were presented to the national organizations and petitions were granted and chapters were established in 1910.

February, 1909. Alumni interfraternity committee submit to Board report and suggestions concerning supervision of fraternity memberships.

February, 1909. System of supervision of membership in fraternities adopted by the Board of trustees at their mid-winter meeting. Second semester freshmen standing and high average grades were required of students for admission to fraternity membership. No initiation of members was allowed until they had spent one half year in the institution.

June 16, 1909. Chapter house ownership by Wooster fraternity alumni organizations was authorized by the Board of trustees; houses to be erected so as to form a component part of the proposed men's dormitory group system upon a site and under plans to be approved by the Board, in accordance with and under said Board's supervision.

February 1910. At mid-winter meeting L. H. Severance, President of the trustees, by letter to the Board, proposed to contribute to erection of two club houses for men and women respectively, *provided* that the Wooster chapters of the national fraternities surrender their charters. The Board took no action on this proposal.

May, 1910. The executive committee of the Board of trustees (the Board of trustees ad interim) authorize two local societies in Wooster to petition respectively for the re-establishment of the Wooster chapter of Phi Delta Theta, which had become defunct, and for the establishment of a new chapter of Delta Delta Delta.

N. B. The application for Phi Delta Theta was thereafter transferred to Sigma Phi Epsilon which latter fraternity and Delta Delta Delta established chapters in Wooster in 1912.

June, 1910. Board of trustees again fail to take any action on the L. H. Severance proposition of club houses; and, by sanctioning the May 1910 action of the executive committee in authorizing two more local societies to petition for national fraternity charters, the Board impliedly declined and vetoed the proposal of L. H. Severance concerning the surrender of fraternity charters at Wooster.

September, 1911. Kennarden lodge, dedicated as a men's dormi-

tory—a gift from Mrs. John M. Kennedy of New York in memory of her husband.

June, 1912. Eligibility requirement for fraternity membership was raised to sophomore class standing by the Board of Trustees, and higher grade standing also required.

May 14, 1912. The Wooster Phi Gamma Delta company and the Wooster Sigma Chi company presented to the Board of trustees a joint petition for the Board's specific approval of their selection of land, known as the Peebles tract, adjoining the University campus on the north and near the new Kennarden lodge, upon which to build chapter houses that would be in conformity with the proposed quadrangle arrangement of university buildings.

June 11, 1912. Petition of the Wooster Phi Gamma Delta company and the Wooster Sigma Chi company was taken up and the site for the then proposed purchase for chapter house use was approved by the Board.

June 18, 1912. Purchase of the Peebles tract for chapter house purposes by the Wooster Phi Gamma Delta company and the Wooster Sigma Chi company under agreements was consummated, and deed taken for the land.

The fraternity situation during the fall of 1912 at Wooster was quiet and apparently everybody was happy and contented. Doctor L. E. Holden then conceived that the time had arrived to start on "another million for Wooster," and the following grind of events takes place, which may be noted as to date and subject-matter, and when finally comprehended compared with the action of February 13, 1913.

Nov. 13, 1912. Doctor Holden sees Mr. L. H. Severance in New York at the Waldorf Hotel and finds him reluctant to assist on "another million for Wooster".

November 14, 1912. Doctor Holden and Mr. Severance call on Doctor Buttrick, secretary of the Rockefeller fund, in New York and put in a plea for \$200,000 from the Rockefeller or General education board. Doctor Holden in his letter to one C. R. Compton (written for propaganda purposes on same date) reports Mr. Severance saying, on their way there,—"I have made up my mind to one

thing and it is this: that if I ever do anything more for Wooster it must clean itself of what I consider its greatest peril, namely,—fraternities;” and again “my interest in Wooster is in its christian aspect and such a caste system is unchristian and unwarranted in a christian college. Now what I do on this million dollar effort, if the General education board starts it, will be pledged only on the one consideration that fraternities surrender their charters at Wooster”.

Doctor Holden further quotes Doctor Buttrick of Rockefeller board as saying to Mr. Severence, “We are interested in Wooster because you are,” and states that said Doctor Buttrick promised to present to his Board the request for \$200,000.

November 21, 1912. Dean Elias Compton was sent by Doctor Holden to Pittsburgh to urge on the alumni there to use their influence to have the active chapters of their fraternities withdrawn from Wooster *in view of possible endowment and building fund to be secured thereby*. Secrecy was imposed on the alumni there. The proposed surrender to be voluntary and to occur before December 20, 1912.

December 9, 1912. After Doctor Holden had returned to Wooster from his New York mission the faculty delivered the following:

Resolved, That in the judgment of the faculty *it is expedient at this time* to request the fraternities and sororities to surrender their respective charters and discontinue their organizations in Wooster”.

Note that this action was based on expediency only and without bearing and addressed to the active fraternity chapters only.

December 10, 1912. The active chapters of the fraternities and sororities were visited by faculty members, given formal notice of the faculty’s resolution, and were urged to take immediate, hasty and favorable action. The active men later replied that they had no power of authority in law or in fact to surrender their charters, as requested by the administration, being under obligations to their alumni and their general fraternity governments that would in no way permit such action.

December 14, 1912. Doctor Holden addressed a letter to “alumni” and friends of Wooster in which he claims that as from the beginning fraternities were in Wooster by permission of the Trustees and recog-

nized by them as being in harmony with the aims and spirit of the institution as a christian college, regardless of any personal opinion he may have had, he has endeavored to see that the high purposes and ideals of the fraternities were carried out. He tells of the constant agitation on the part of some to destroy fraternities, to tear out what has been a recognized part of the student life, and to destroy the traditions and associations of forty years, which very many hold so dear; and further claims credit for not casting the deciding vote against fraternities when the faculty was evenly divided on the question in 1908. In closing his letter Doctor Holden stated that if the fraternities wished to retain the friendship of Mr. Severance they still could surrender their charters and accept his "club house" offer, which had not been withdrawn. Thus the material argument for the surrender of fraternity charters was again made by the administration.

December 20, 1912. A special meeting of the Trustees called by telegraph was held to oust the fraternities, but the motion to that effect, made by Doctor Holden was tabled until the regular mid-winter meeting. At this time the action was demanded by the President on the ground of "expediency".

January 18, 1913. A letter headed "To the alumni of the University of Wooster Greeting" appeared. It reaffirmed Doctor Holden's statement made to said C. R. Compton saying "he (Severance) has reached the irrevocable decision that he will give no more to Wooster while fraternities remain there", and states "that he (Severance) is not dictating; has made no threat; he has in fact made no offer." This was signed by miscellaneous alumni, evidently under some powerful local inspiration. Replies were requested to be addressed to the *Treasurer* of the University, Mr. McClellan.

Jan. 25, 1913. The application by Doctor Holden for \$200,000 from the General education board was refused according to creditable information.

January 25, 1913. Date for the mid-winter meeting of Trustees, for some unexplained reason was changed to February 13, 1913.

February 13, 1913. The mid-winter meeting of the Board of trustees was held. The bald motion on the ground of "expediency" to abolish fraternities, tabled in December, 1912, was not taken up;

but the general question of fraternities was raised, discussed *ex parte* in the Board, and after six hours' discussion, Dean Elias Compton was called in by Doctor Holden and gave *eighteen reasons* why fraternities should be abolished. Doctor Holden, then called in Miss Hughes, dean for the young women, who proceeded in like manner to tell why the sororities should be removed. And on this evidence, without further knowledge as to the accuracy of the accusations, without requesting explanation or defense from the fraternity chapters or the alumni concerned, without any investigation, and *wholly ex parte*, the following resolution was passed by a 13 to 10 vote:

WHEREAS, in view of the fact that the Board of trustees has learned that the majority of the faculty of Wooster feel that fraternities should not exist in the University of Wooster; and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Board of trustees of the University of Wooster it would be for the best interests of the University to prohibit the further growth and extension of fraternities and sororities among its students; therefore,

Be It Resolved, by the Board of trustees of the University of Wooster that it is the sense of this Board that the further initiation of members by fraternities and sororities among the students of this University be prohibited on and after this date, and that the faculty be entrusted with the execution of this action.

Be It Further Resolved, that the executive committee of the Board of trustees is hereby instructed to assume any land contract that any or all of the fraternities may have entered into before December 20, 1912.

In taking this action the Board of Trustees desires to place on record the fact that it is not influenced by any monetary consideration whatsoever".

The following thirteen trustees voted for suppression of fraternities:

Rev. D. A. Heron, Wooster.	Alansan L. Palmer, Wooster.
Rev. Robert Watson, Cincinnati.	Albert Shupe, Wooster.
Dr. J. G. Wishard, Wooster.	Rev. O. A. Hills, Wooster.
Rev. Eben Cobb, Elizabeth, N. J.	Rev. W. F. Weir, Wooster.
Eugene W. Allen, Fostoria, O.	Louis H. Severance, Cleveland.
Jesse McClellan, Wooster.	John E. West, Bellefontain.
President Louis E. Holden, Wooster.	

The following ten trustees voted for retaining fraternities:

John M. Griley, '92, Cleveland.	Rev. Samuel S. Palmer, '87, Columbus.
Judge Frank Taggart, '74, Wooster	Walter D. Foss, Wooster.

Charles Krichbaum, '83, Canton. Phillip Wock, Youngstown.
Samuel G. McClure, '86, Youngstown. Rev. D. J. Meese, Mansfield.
Charles M. Moderwell, '89, Chicago. George J. Schwartz, Wooster.

The absent trustees were:

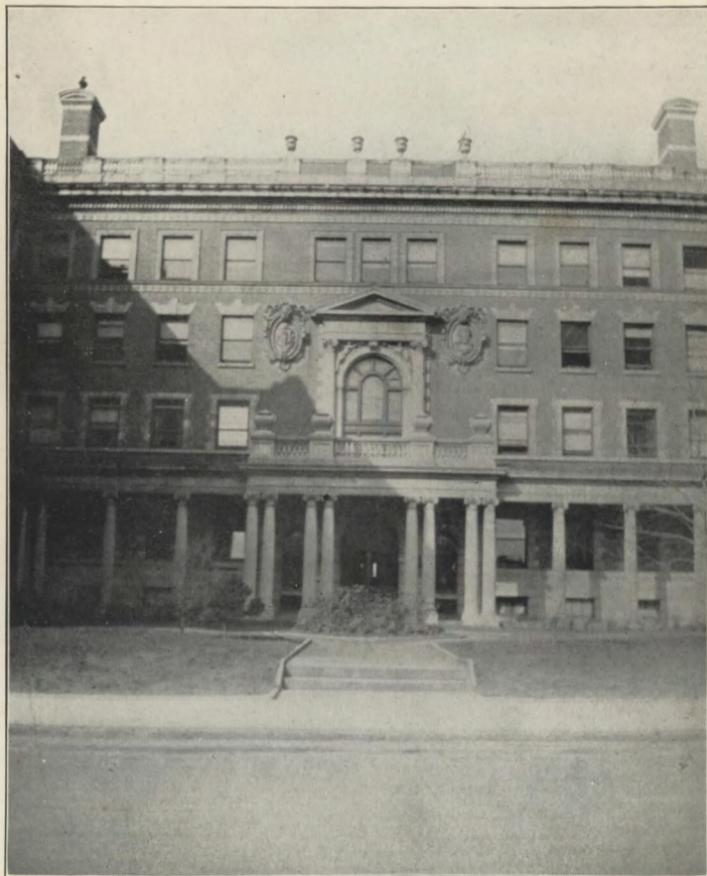
Robert Laidlaw, Cincinnati. Frank G. Carpenter, '77, Washington.
Simon Steffens, Lima. W. S. Thomas, '75, Springfield.
Rev. Wm. Gaston, Cleveland (honorary).

Not one of those voting against the fraternities was an alumnus of the university. At least six of those voting for the fraternities are alumni of the university. Mr. Severance's presence at the final meeting is regarded generally as a deciding factor, for without his vote, and the votes of President Holden, Treasurer McClellan and College Minister Weir, the action would not have been possible. (It is significant to recall that the faculty resolution of December 9, 1912, was passed on the ground of expediency and not on the merits of the subject of fraternities.)

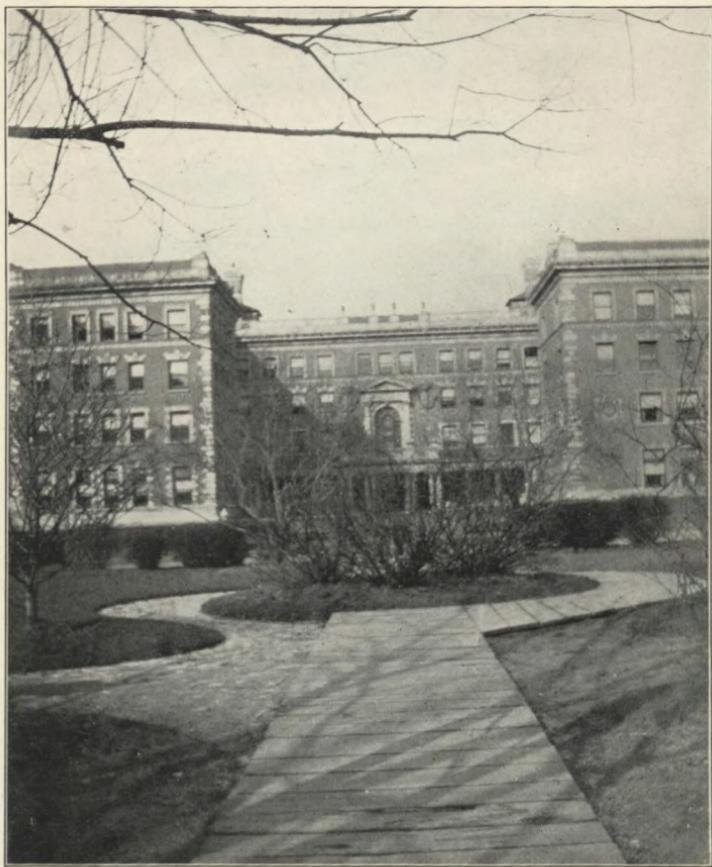
It is at least a debatable question as to whether those financially interested in the university (i. e. drawing salaries) should be on the Board of trustees, the president of course excepted.

In short, from the above facts, the purpose of those pressing this action against the fraternities could not be other than obvious to any impartial observer, i. e. that material advantage of some sort was to or would accrue to Wooster from such action at the cost of principle and at the sacrifice of an integral part of the University's life. As to material advantage, the students were so advised; the alumni are convinced of it; the general public accepts this view; and the chain of circumstances leads with unerring certainty to this conclusion.

There is yet hope for eventual favorable action by those in authority or by higher powers that may right the injustice done the time-honored institutions that have been bulwarks for the university in its early weakness and during its periods of depression and disaster. There is yet hope for action that will put our Alma Mater beyond succumbing to the most dangerous tendency of our time—materialism. In view of the facts herein presented, we ask all interested in fair play and in Wooster's reputation to take "the sober



MILBANK HALL, BARNARD COLLEGE



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second thought" and to cooperate in whatever movement may be made to adjudge this matter properly.

THE INTERFRATERNITY ALUMNI COMMITTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

STUART EAGLESON, for Phi Gamma Delta.

JOSEPH T. MILLER, for Sigma Chi.

DUDLEY J. HARD, for Beta Theta Pi.

SAMUEL B. LINHART, for Delta Tau Delta.

H. F. ALLISON, for Alpha Tau Omega.

GROER EAGLESON for Kappa Alpha Theta.

March 25, 1913.

A PRE-CONVENTION VIEW OF BARNARD COLLEGE

Perhaps those Thetas who are accustomed to large university grounds and splendid college buildings will return after Convention with a feeling of amazement that we can ever get along at Barnard. Columbia, to be sure, has a large campus and many fine buildings, but, although we have a certain pride in our Columbia privileges, we are still more proud of our independence. Barnard holds complete sway over its own little campus. We own land from one-hundred and sixteenth street to one-hundred and twentieth, and from Broadway to Claremont avenue. The college itself—that is everything from the Dean's office to the lunch-room, including our class studies, the theatre, and all recitation rooms and laboratories—takes the whole upper block. The dormitory, Brooks Hall, is a very narrow building running along one-hundred and sixteenth street. Between these two buildings, there is the campus.

From Broadway, the campus does not look inviting except to those small boys who want to know "what's doing" inside the high, green fence and to the Columbia youths who gather in their windows and gaze down with great interest from the various points of vantage. Almost any fine afternoon in the spring or fall, you can see figures swarthy in long coats come running out of the main entrance of Milbank Hall, across one-hundred and nineteenth street, and through a little doorway in the middle of that green fence. Once inside!

To your left lie the tennis courts—a Theta holds the tennis championship—and to your right there is the basketball field. Beyond all this, you may see a low terrace, where the girls love to sit and study on warm days.

A few steps and you are above the terrace, in the midst of a garden of flowering shrubs. The benches here form another favorite resort. And then leading toward the dormitory, there is a board-walk. Now a board-walk may not sound very fine to many, but to Barnard girls it suggests many things. Barely wide enough for three girls to walk arm in arm, it forms a splendid promenade for confidential talks with one's friends or with the rushees. It makes a fine platform from which to view the hockey games which take place on the field to the east. The walk is bordered on both sides by trees, but alas! they are too young to form much shade as yet!

Another terrace, and you are at the dormitory with its row of white columns. Each column bears a little plate inscribed with the numerals of a class which has graduated but left behind its little spray of ivy to grow and encircle the column. Altogether, we think our campus pretty fine even if it is small.

Our college building is not very large—that is, nothing like large enough to accommodate all the students with any degree of comfort. The most attractive feature of this building is the front yard, in the form of a square with Milbank hall at the back, Fiske hall on the west, and Brinkerhoff on the east. The arcade around this is another good place for a stroll on a warm day.

In the fall of 1914, Barnard will celebrate her twenty-fifth anniversary, and she hopes to do this by completing a million dollar endowment fund and a million dollar building fund. Of course, this means hard work for everyone. But we realize the need and are quite hopeful of success.

This is Barnard as we hope many of you will see it this June. So please come to New York prepared to find us a very little community in the center of a very large city, but a community that is happy in its very existence, and extremely loyal to its Alma Mater.

Edith Fischer, Alpha Zeta.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' DEPUTIES

Under our present organization the District president's deputy is an important officer, always aiding her chief and in case of that chief's resignation succeeding to the office of District president. We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity the deputies of our District presidents.

Alpha Alpha district, Martha Allen, Chi '08.

Alpha Beta district, Emilie Dunbar, Alpha Delta '08.

Beta Alpha district—(At present office vacant, by resignation of Lorene Crouch, Alpha '09 upon marriage and removal from district.)

Beta Beta district, Catherine Bigelow, Eta.

Gamma Alpha district, Ray Hanna, Phi '11.

Gamma Beta district, Mrs. Vera McIntosh Bemis, Alpha Lambda, '10.

Delta Alpha district, Clara Fanning, Upsilon '01.

Delta Beta district, Mrs. Alice Towne Deweese, Rho '05.

Delta Gamma district, Mrs. Onita Olmstede Evans, Alpha Theta.

ALPHA DELTA'S BAIT FOR THE UNINTERESTED ALUMNA

One evening at fraternity meeting, when we were discussing the examination questions, we came across this one: "Suggest means to gain interest of alumna not members of chapters"; at which, an impetuous junior exclaimed, "This is too much! We have more than enough to keep us busy right here in the active chapter, without forever having the weight of "the uninterested alumnae" thrust upon our shoulders! Why aren't they interested in helping us, I'd like to know!"

Well, we all decided in favor of the ounce of prevention; that is, in impressing upon each *active* Theta her sense of responsibility for the fraternity welfare so indelibly, that time could never entirely erase it. That provided for our future alumnae. But the fact still remained that there were well nigh a hundred Alpha Delta alumnae from whom we never hear a word; and so we proceeded to discuss the pound of cure.

We realized that we had always tried to select our alumnae editor with forethought as to her ability to write newsy letters. These letters have been written every year with great expense of time and energy to the busy college girl; yet little result in visible, tangible alumnae interest has ever appeared.

So now we have fixed up a new bait to catch their interest. We have heard over and over again the saying that a girl gets out of her fraternity life only as much as she puts into it. We know the truth of the principle that a person takes far more interest in an enterprise if he works for it, than if he merely plays the part of the casual spectator. Working on this principle, we are going to give our Alpha Delta alumnae a chance to put their interest into a tangible form, to give something of themselves towards the improvement of their mother chapter. We are going to have a birthday party on May 15, the seventeenth birthday of Alpha Delta's charter.

Each alumnae will receive a versified invitation to this party in which will be delicately suggested a list of sadly needed articles: from kitchen utensils, through lunch cloths and napkins, to a silver ladle. So that, even though many alumnae cannot be present to honor the charter which meant so much to them in their college life, they can still be represented by proxies in the shape of some little gifts.

We think that if an alumna can feel that her lunch cloth, or her spoons, or even her kitchen-knife which has cut the lemon for the tea, has helped in any way to forward Theta's dignity, her interest in the fraternity as a whole will have taken a new lease on life.

And here is another side to the party. Oh! how much it will mean to the chapter to see its china-closet replenished and its linen chest started by fairy hands! For it takes all of our money for the routine expenses and limited social activities; and whenever we re-decorate our rooms or make any additions to our belongings, it means a heavy tax on the girls. Indeed, when I read in the other chapter letters, of receptions attended by five hundred guests, or of entertainments given for the whole student-body, I wonder—having been through the ordeal of chapter treasurer—how the other chapters have managed it all out of their dues; and I always suspect a fairy god-mother in the shape of their alumnae.

But it is mainly with the purpose of interesting our widely scattered alumnae in Theta's welfare that we are preparing this bait. We hope to have many nibbles. *Dorothy Davis.*

CONVENTION'S ENVIRONMENT

Lake Minnewaska is one of the chain of small lakes in that part of the Appalachians known as the Shawangunk mountains. It is just six miles south of the widely known Lake Mohonk where meets the semi-annual Mohonk peace conferences. Minnewaska is eighteen hundred feet above tide water and is in the center of a seven thousand acre estate all in its native grandeur of forest, cliff, and waterfall.

The view from the top of this mountain commands the valley of the Hudson, its tributaries, and surroundings from Storm King to Lake George. The forests are of pine and hemlock; there are glens thick with ferns; lofty cliffs and towering crags are everywhere; while the mountain laurel grows by the cascades of sparkling water. To crown it all stands the lake with rocky shores, from sixty to one hundred feet high, down which rustic stairways wind to the water's edge.

Here above the dews, dampness, and high temperatures, as well as away from the "tumult and shouting" of the cities, repose, rest and recreation are always present. For a quarter of a century Minnewaska has been a favorite resort with people who love beauty, rest, and congenial company. The lake is deep and clear, and warm enough to afford delightful bathing.

The Cliff house stands on the crest above the east side of the lake and has accommodations for three hundred guests. Nearly every guest room opens on a balcony. Magnificent views are framed by every window—from some of which are visible the mountains of six states, the Highlands of the Hudson, the Berkshire hills, the Green mountains of Vermont, the Helderbergs, Catskills, and the Shandaken mountains. Only those who have passed many days here can realize the "limitless variety of effect which light and shadow, storm and sunshine, mist and moonlight, have upon the matchless picture."

For recreations there is boating and bathing, tennis and bowling.

as well as horseback riding, driving, and walking. No automobiles are allowed on the estate owing to danger of accidents upon such winding roads. Cleared trails lead to all parts of the estate, so walking is a favorite recreation. The great crevices, the ice caves, the June laurel, the rhododendrons, and the smaller ferns and flowers lure one on and on. Many summer houses along the way invite one to rest and enjoy the wonderful, ever changing view of mountain and valley.

Lake Minnewaska is a beautiful place; the arrangements for convention are ideal—a big hotel all to ourselves; from June 24-27 the company will be uniquely delightful, so come one and all to Theta's 1913 house party.

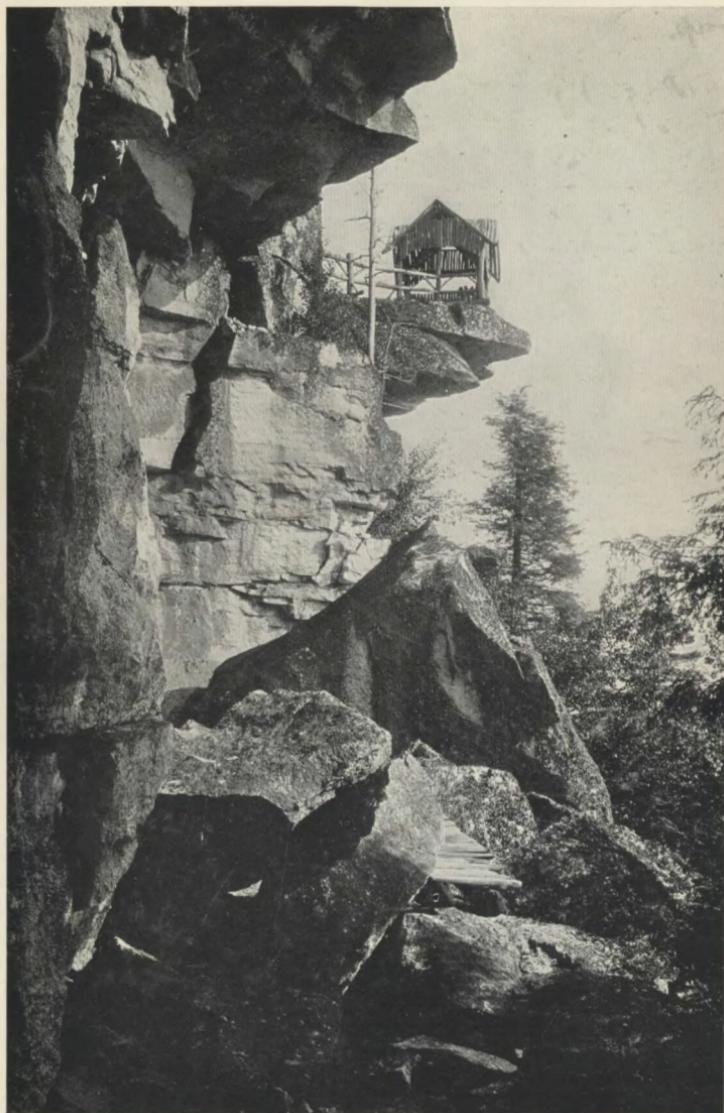
AFFILIATION

The key note to fraternalism is that same felicity which perpetuates all human society in a lasting and tender relation—love and friendship. And the essence of these is entirety, a total magnanimity and faith. And so when a girl comes to us and we initiate her, we believe in her, trust in her, and place in her keeping the common interests of our fraternity. She becomes a sister, a member of our meetings, and bears the same relationship to us that our chapter, in turn, bears to the national organization.

Then at some time, after a year or more, she may leave her home chapter and college for a larger institution or one that responds more fully to her requirements. And there she is confronted with a more serious and personal situation than that preceding her pledge day—the uncertainty of affiliation.

And so the question arises, "Should a chapter of a fraternity reject one duly accepted and initiated by another chapter, and refuse to affiliate her?" This question, at some time or other, is apt to confront every fraternity chapter. And it is a question fraught with vast importance, both to the individual and to the fraternity, whose decision should be neither frivolously nor arbitrarily considered.

For the fraternity is essentially different from a club. It is even different from a federation of clubs. It implies a closer tie; a



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more intimate appeal; a more lasting relationship. Indeed, one of the prime attributes of fraternalism is the bond, extending from ocean to ocean, oblivious of distance, which unites those of kindred aspirations, who have knelt at a like altar, have subscribed to a like creed, and have been inspired by the same ritual.

And these should not be empty, meaningless, farcical, but should be earnest and sincere pledges, to be remembered and revered. If they are to be heralded as abstract platitudes, if they are to be toasted at banquets and sung about in songs, then they should be used as working premises from which true conclusions may be deduced. To avoid stultification, we must either modify our ideals of close and eternal bonds joining us together, or give effect to our teachings.

So, when a girl comes to us, wearing our pin, knowing its meaning as we know it—the pin itself should remind us that there is something here that transcends chapter opinion; that the whole is greater than any of its parts; that our chapter is merely a part of a larger order from which it derives its power to be, and that this chapter is also a sworn member of that larger order.

Instantly, every presumption should be indulged in her behalf; instantly, every doubt should, if possible, be resolved in her favor. Grevious, indeed, should be the blame, and irremedial the fault, before we have a right to repudiate her before the world.

Of course, if she is morally wrong, if she has wilfully lowered her standard, she, herself, has furnished the justification for a rebuke. She has voluntarily broken her promise to sustain the ideals of the fraternity, she has renounced the respect due to good womanhood, and a chapter would naturally fear the effect of accepting her into its life. If her conduct shows that our aid will be rejected and that the reflection of her shame will be our only reward for accepting her, then affiliation should be neither her due nor her privilege.

But such an instance is rare among any organization of women, especially among fraternity women with aims as high, and yet as attainable, as ours.

To indiscretions we are all liable. But if a girl, whom a chapter is considering either pledging or affiliating, commits one, the effect is tremendous. And in this we all truly consider the good of the fra-

ternity, before we do our own inclinations. We are all confident of our own immunity from influence, whether we possess it in a marked degree or not, but if we fear the reflections which the girl's actions may cast on the fraternity, we are speedily prejudiced. Involuntarily, our imaginations trace the pathway of the girl's influence through the chapter, to the national organization. For as each weak girl weakens the chapter, though ever so slightly, so, in turn, each weak chapter weakens the larger unit.

But in this affiliation problem, it seems to me that the question of congeniality is placed above the question of merit.

Congeniality is one of the most important considerations on pledge day, but it ceases to be so vitally important when the girl has gone so far as to be a candidate for affiliation. Then both the girl and the chapter should practice adaptability, and, with both striving, harmony could be easily secured.

If the girl seems peculiar in ways, a little different from the girls in the chapter to which she comes, would it not be better to take her and keep her within the circle, to try to show her her mistakes and to minimize them in the sight of the outer world by our own leniency? Even if a chapter feels that a serious mistake has been made by some sister chapter who sends a girl to them, is it not better to acknowledge it, and her, and make the best of both of them?

At least, it does not make the sentiments of fraternalism farcical to the non-fraternity world, whose attitude is already hypercritical.

Marie Pritchard.

NEWSPAPER WORK FOR WOMEN

The some dozen or more positions open to women in newspaper work in every city of average size could be filled fifty times and over. The field is not a big one nor is it increasing noticeably. However it is true that other and larger opportunities for literary work for women are on the increase and that a thorough grounding in newspaper work is a tremendous aid to success in them. For instance how many more women story writers there are now than formerly; how many more magazine writers and even magazine editors; how

much more feature stuff appearing under the name of some news syndicate claims women authors; while every year sees more women writers abroad, and in the prominent cities, for trade papers and fashion periodicals.

General and society reporting are open to the successful applicant for newspaper work on the city dailies. Unless she knows she has an especially marked talent as a writer and news-getter, the girl who wishes to enter the newspaper field would do well to accept a place in the society department. Society is handled by women, except in the large cities, and she can thus work directly under one of her own sex. She will be in a measure sheltered from the often too free and easy atmosphere of the city room where the men reporters work and at the same time, she will be drilled in the routine of newspaper work. Unless there is a rule against employing women for general reporting on the paper on which she works she will have plenty of opportunity to display any brilliance she may possess as a general reporter and will be rescued in plenty of time from the monotony of society work. If on the other hand her talents are more on the editorial order and she shows ability in assembling bits of news and in thinking up novel ideas, she may make for herself a place as head of a society or woman's department. While her success would be less spectacular than that of the brilliant special writer, her position would be more secure and its general atmosphere more suited to her sex.

Salaries in newspaper work for both men and women are not exactly tempting. Many a girl with a college diploma in her hand is forced to accept thirty dollars a month to start with or seek other fields for her endeavors. And, once installed in a newspaper office, more often than not she finds herself working side by side with a woman with an uncompleted high school education, who never heard of the causes of the French revolution but who can limn a meager little incident she heard in the Humane society offices so that it fairly drips with tears and for this wonderful talent of hers receives eighty-five or a hundred dollars a month.

To succeed in newspaper work, a girl should know news and she should love to write. If either one of these requirements is present,

the second may of course be developed, but one or the other must be there. The type of mind that absorbs in the process of its education a little of everything makes for its owner the best newspaper man or woman. For the woman who expects to devote several years of her life to newspaper work, a thorough college education will not be wasted. But it should not spoil her for putting in the first two or three years in willing and humble apprenticeship.

Genevieve Jackson Boughner, Beta Alumnae.

CONVENTION DELEGATES

Alpha, Elma Hawthorne	Beta alumnae, Edna Broom
Beta,	Gamma alumnae, May A. Johnson
Gamma, Marie Pritchard	Delta alumnae, Mrs. Louise Shipman
Delta, Catharine Planck	Wagner
Eta, Margaret Irving	Epsilon alumnae, Emma Blesch
Iota, Ruth H. Bayer	Zeta alumnae, Hope Davis
Kappa, Nell Carraher	Eta alumnae, Mary R. Bates
Lambda, Margery A. Watson	Theta alumnae, Mrs. Jenney Gilbert
Mu, Ruth Dodd	Kerlin
Rho, Ruth Lindley	Iota alumnae, Ada J. Heinemann
Sigma, Muriel Cameron	Kappa alumnae, Mrs. Helen Moore
Tau, Dorothy Martin	Lanpher
Upsilon, Muriel K. Thayer	Mu alumnae, Austa Kelley
Phi, Carol Green	Nu alumnae,
Chi, E. Ruth Andas	Xi alumnae,
Psi, Laura Gilman	Omicron alumnae,
Omega, Elizabeth Page	Pi alumnae,
Alpha Beta, Constance Lincoln Ball	Rho alumnae,
Alpha Gamma, Helen B. Barnhill	Sigma alumnae, Marie Davis
Alpha Delta, Mary Hoffman	Tau alumnae, Katherine Cline
Alpha Zeta,	Upsilon alumnae, Kathryn Culver
Alpha Eta, Bess Figley	Phi alumnae, Ruth Haslup
Alpha Theta,	Chi alumnae, Olive Hammond
Alpha Iota, Dorothy Nicholson	Psi alumnae,
Alpha Kappa, Clarissa Pettit	Omega alumnae, Mrs. Katherine
Alpha Lambda, Jessie Lewis	Stoughton Hart
Alpha Mu, Margaret Carrington	Alpha Beta alumnae, Jessie Barker
Alpha Nu, Esther M. Birely.	Alpha Gamma alumnae, Mrs. Anna
Alpha Xi, Eleanor McClaine	Strong Parkinson
Alpha Omicron, Luella Bretch	Alpha Delta alumnae,
Alpha Pi, Olga Serumgard	Alpha Epsilon alumnae, Irene Turner
Alpha Rho, Laura Lotze	Seabury
Alpha alumnae, Minna Matern	Alpha Zeta alumnae,

IN MEMORIAM

MARGUERITE PRATT

Tau has suffered a loss in the death of Marguerite Pratt, who passed away the afternoon of February 17 at the Homeopathic hospital in Rochester, New York, after an illness of more than two months. Her sister Evelyn had been called from the family home in Bostonia, California, and was with Marguerite from Christmas morning to the time of her death.

At the time of her illness she was teaching expression in the Genesee Wesylan seminary at Lima, New York. Everyone who knew Marguerite felt she was unusually fitted for her chosen profession. She was a graduate of the College of oratory of the University of Southern California and of the Cumnock school of expression of Northwestern university. She had received her A. B. from Stanford university and for one year was teacher of expression in the San Diego, California, state normal school.

Although Marguerite was in Tau only one year, 1910-1911, yet she will always be "Peggy" Pratt to the girls. To her dearest friends it seems an inexplicable thing why a girl like Peggy should be taken. She was so singularly gifted with seemingly perfect health, a brilliant mind, and an attractive personality. Peggy's friends unite in sending their sympathy to the father and mother and sister.

Alma Swain, Tau.

EDITORIALS

CONVENTION NEXT MONTH! That is the magic slogan around which our dreams, thoughts, and plans center. We officers are a bit overwhelmed just now by the work of preparation, but are counting the days till—plans all completed—we shall greet you at Minnewaska. Come. Convention is to be a happy time and you know—"The days that make us happy make us wise."

MAY WE WISH A WISH for you, college chapters? A happy Commencement season, to our seniors! Courage to face the problems of the fall, to our juniors! Cheerful assumption of upper-class duties, to our sophomores! Enthusiastic willingness to work, to our freshmen!

FRATERNITIES have faced a crisis this winter—their very existence at stake before several state legislatures, with similar legislation agitated in other states. While, in every instance the anti-fraternity bill has been defeated, that defeat should not leave the fraternities confidently rejoicing. Our opponents showed much strength, and have evinced their determination to perpetuate the fight. Agitation grows by its own momentum and this season it has had added fuel from so-called "investigations of fraternities," notably the unscientific, unscholarly miscellany published by the *Century*, whose Gilder-built reputation alone led people to believe what it published of fraternities. A few more such "investigations" of anything, college or non-college, and the *Century's* tower of fame will be a crumbling pile of brick.

In all the things said against us there has been some truth, much half-truth, and more, that once was (or once might have been) truth—altogether enough to "make a case." Two years will pass before our state legislatures again go into law-making activity. Shall these two years pass before the fraternities again rally to attack the problem of anti-fraternity agitation? We have had our warning. We have two years in which to prove our value to a skeptical public. Can we do it? We have the machinery for work already organized

in the Interfraternity conference and the National Panhellenic. Here is a real national problem for these organizations, something worthy of their steel, something that equally concerns each of their constituent members, something demanding action—not theoretical discussion and hobby riding. Time for practical, intelligent, common-sense action is given us. How will we use that time?

FOR THE BEST REFUTATION of the recent anti-fraternity magazine articles, we refer our readers to the contributions of Miss Fitch, Delta Delta Delta, and Mr. Ellis, Phi Delta Theta, in the March 1913 issue of *Banta's Greek exchange*. We planned to quote extensively from these able articles had space permitted. Perhaps it is better to refer you to the originals, for thus you will get acquainted with a fine periodical which should find all our chapters and officers, as well as many alumnae, among its subscribers.

"GOUCHER has her million dollar endowment"—this cheerful message comes just as we go to press. This means that the college's future is secure. Appreciation of the generosity of Baltimore's loyal citizens! Congratulations to Goucher! To Alpha Delta our joy that her future is assured.

THE LOVE and sympathy of all Thetas are extended to Ruth Haynes Carpenter, Upsilon '06, president of Delta Alpha district, whose father died April 14.

AFTER A CONVENTION, the Editor traveled for a day in company with one chapter's convention party of six. The talk revealed this chapter's admirable method of making the most of convention. Each member of the party had had a number of chapters assigned to her "to truly know when convention ends." Thus, by divided labor, they had attained what one delegate alone can hardly hope to attain—a knowledge of every chapter in the fraternity.

Said Bess, "Wasn't the girl from Z chapter a shy little thing, and how queerly she did her hair."

"Yes," agreed Clara, on whose list was the shy girl's chapter, "but her college is in the country and she lives far from a city too. But did you know, she has been twice to Europe and speaks two lan-

guages beside beautiful English. She is so genuine and her chapter is just like her."

"Quite a contrast to her next door neighbor from V," said the thoughtful, scholarly Edith, "that girl has no thoughts but for style and a gay time. What a giddy, selfish lot that chapter is."

"Oh, but it isn't," broke in Bess, "the chapter has two classes at the settlement, and that Miss Fort is president of the Women's league and last year she won a scholarship which she resigned in favor of the girl whose standing was a half per cent lower and to whom the scholarship meant the difference between college and teaching this year."

"A conceited thing to tell," protested Edith.

"But she did not tell me," added Bess, "I found out about that from the delegate from Florida alumnae."

"The alumna delegate from Nome," broke in Maud, "gave me the finest idea for a rushing party, all the details down to costs, and she is going to send me some place-cards for it."

And so it went on and on, here a little glimpse of one chapter, there a bit of criticism easily cleared away by some one who had become acquainted with the criticised chapter, again some new phase of a national problem revealed through a chance remark, but through it all the spirit of appreciative sympathy that had not only made this group of girls popular with all convention, but that also had permitted convention to serve them by broadening their outlook, giving them perspective, showing them both the strength and the weakness of the fraternity and thus fitting them to loyally and wisely solve its problems.

SENIORS, now is the time to insure your "keeping in touch" by subscribing for our magazine. All Journal subscriptions received from seniors before August 1, will carry as a premium a year's subscription to the Bimonthly, including the proceedings of the 1913 Convention.

THETA BOOK SHELF

The ways of the planets is Mrs. Martha Evans Martin's (Alpha '78) newest contribution to astronomy for the average reader. Her former book, *The friendly stars*, was most attractive and popular. This new book is described as "An untechnical, interesting account of the planets and their movements, with easy and sure directions for finding, and identifying them." It is published by Harper and Brothers.

Mrs. Mary Ridpath Mann (Alpha '87) is the author of *The unofficial secretary*, a book of fiction, which is receiving much favorable comment in the reviews.

Mrs. Mary Ritter Beard (Alpha '97) is the editor of *The woman voter*, the suffrage magazine published in New York city. Her husband is a professor at Columbia.

NOTICES

Chi is anxious to complete her file of JOURNALS and lacks the following issues:

1895—November; 1896—February, May; 1897—February, November; 1898—March, May, November; 1899—January, March, November; 1900—November; 1901—November; 1903—January, March; 1904—May.

She would be glad to hear from any one that has any one of these numbers in duplicate. Chi has a number of duplicates, which she would gladly send in exchange, if you will write her of your needs.

WHO GOES TO COLLEGE NEXT FALL?

Our chapters at the following colleges are desirous of learning all possible about the freshmen who will matriculate at their colleges next fall. Every Theta will confer a favor upon these chapters by writing to any one of the following Thetas regarding girls who are entering that college next fall.

Allegheny college, Gertrude L. Hammond, Hulings hall, Meadville, Penn.

Barnard college, Edith L. Fischer, Brielle, N. J.

Kansas state university, Lois Harger, Abilene, Kas.

Michigan state university, Helen Morse, 629 Forest ave. Ann Arbor, Mich.

University of Missouri, Temple Kean, 302 Lauerdale st. Memphis, Tenn.

Nebraska state university, Louise Northrup, 1037 S. 29th st. Omaha, Neb.

Oregon state university, Frances Adams, Silverton, Ore.

Swarthmore college, Marjorie T. Caldwell, Swarthmore, Penn.

Vanderbilt university, Sara Southall, 1712 Fifth ave. Birmingham, Ala.

University of Vermont, Jeanette Sparrow, 499 Valley Road, West Orange, N. J.

University of Wisconsin, Gladys Miller, 1125 Rutledge st. Madison, Wis.

University of Minnesota, Catherine Leland, 2541 Garfield ave. Minneapolis, Minn.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Railroad tickets to be honored on the Special Pullman from Chicago must read: Chicago to Buffalo via "Michigan Central"; Buffalo to Albany via "New York Central"; Albany to New York via "West Shore" (with stop-over at Kingston).

ALUMNÆ CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA ALUMNAE—GREENCASTLE, INDIANA

Greetings to our sister chapters! It scarcely seems a year since Alpha's bit of news was last seen in the Journal but the months pass quickly in our busy college time and here it is time for another letter.

In January we were delighted in having the opportunity of meeting Miss Hall, our Grand vice-president, who visited the active girls. Her stay was a short one of only a couple of days but long enough to make us all wish to become better acquainted with her.

The October meeting of the club was held in Brazil, Indiana, at the home of Mrs. Stunkard. This meeting is one always looked forward to as being one of great pleasure and it could not be otherwise with such a charming hostess as Mrs. Stunkard. In March we have what is known as "Letter Day." The letters this year, coming not only from various parts of our own country but from Germany and Italy as well, were very entertaining and greatly appreciated, as they gave us interesting bits of news concerning our far away sisters. Eighteen letters were read, then started on their trip to each of the writers—one from Alpha Alumnae being added.

As summer draws near we turn our thoughts towards the coming convention and Lake Minnewaska. How I wish we all could attend and help to swell the number at the "house party" but some of us, at least, will be compelled to remain at home. We shall all be there in thoughts if not in person and eagerly await the return of our delegate to hear of all the good things that she enjoyed. The best of good wishes from Alpha alumnae for the coming convention is extended to all with the hope that this one may be the best Theta has ever had.

18 March 1913.

Ruth B. Post.

BETA ALUMNAE—MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Since the program of our chapter's work was printed in the January Journal, we need not repeat it here, although we are glad to record that the fraternity educational program has been exceedingly interesting and that the hostesses have served delicious tea. With the ex-

ception of March, when a blizzard interfered, the meetings have been well attended and each member has carried away the remembrance of a happy afternoon.

In addition to the anticipated entertainment, we have often had the pleasure of welcoming out-of-town guests. In October, Mrs. Bell, of the Evanston alumnae chapter, was with us, also Foi Hotchkiss Fitch, Charlotte Hall, Marion Chapman and Clare Vidger Copeland.

On January 25, when we celebrated Founders'-day with Upsilon, we enjoyed seeing Margaret Moore Spicer, Florence Parker, Fan Sawyer Cowperthwaite, Ada Daniels Huxley, Jean Hutchinson, Helen Rogers and Jessie Nicol Hoyt. Surely the strength of the Theta tie is seen when alumnae return so regularly for fraternity gatherings.

Besides our "callers," as we might characterize these short-time guests, we welcome to the city as permanent residents and additions to our alumnae ranks five Thetas of other colleges: Ella Pine, Lambda; Mary Von Storch, Mu; Julia Niver Clarke and Margaret Major Castle, Delta; and Hazel Lotze, Alpha Rho.

Our year has brought many pleasures but there are also to be recorded two material remembrances. In the fall, the chapter bought the materials for and Agnes Glessner painted a copy of the National banner which is to be used for Upsilon's services. At Christmas time our gift to the house was money to be used for such practical furnishings as beds, study tables and chairs. We might whisper to Kappa, in congratulating her upon her new home, that a mortgage and adequate furnishings may cause worries, but we proclaim aloud that these are helpful means of keeping alumnae in close touch with each other and with the college chapter, thus in the end adding to the sum total of Theta joys.

As the year closes we look forward to the convention at Lake Minnewaska, hoping that many of our members may have the good fortune to attend and greet personally the Thetas of our sister chapters.

29 March 1913

Clara E. Fanning.

GAMMA ALUMNAE—NEW YORK

We have had most interesting and successful meetings this winter and great credit is due to our most able president, Miss Florence Durstine. The meetings have been very well attended and never lacked enthusiasm. The coming convention has been the point of departure for our thoughts and we feel greatly honored to share in the welcoming of all our Theta sisters.

Early this fall we had the pleasure of attending a most enjoyable tea held at Miss Florence Durstine's home. It proved a great success and informal enough so that every one had a jolly time.

On February 6 we held our Annual Founders'-day luncheon at the Marie Antoinette hotel. The luncheon was not attended so largely as last year, but it made up in quality all that it lacked in quantity. It was a most enjoyable occasion to all those that attended.

Gamma alumnae is looking forward with the other eastern chapters to the time when all Kappa Alpha Theta sisters shall meet together in the East. We are anxious to extend our welcome with the other eastern chapters.

27 March 1913

Dorothea M. Carter.

DELTA ALUMNAE—CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Delta alumnae has held its regular monthly meeting the third Saturday of each month in Field's tea-room. We meet at eleven-thirty for business and luncheon is served at twelve-thirty. There are about thirty at every meeting.

We are nearly always fortunate in having some out of town Thetas with us and are glad, indeed, to welcome them. At our December luncheon, two active girls from Eta were with us, and Charlotte Walker Stone, Eta '00 came up just to meet the girls, but could not stay for luncheon.

There are many Thetas in Chicago, who have not become members of Delta alumnae. Could they but realize the good fellowship that exists and the fact that Theta means even more in mature years than in college days, I feel sure every Chicago Theta would attend all meetings.

And our monthly meetings are really all that we have. The girls are all separated by so many miles, calling and other social functions are impossibilities. Often we wish we could be more active in a social or philanthropic way but each Theta is generally interested in some activity of this kind in her own locality, so that more such duties would be a tax on her time as well as strength.

At the regular January meeting, we celebrated Founders'-day. To the regret of many this was not as successful as previous Founders'-day luncheons have been. It was served in Field's Fountain room and although the service was good and the viands plentiful, the noise at the time we wished our toasts was something uncared for. We all felt sorry for Charlotte Hall Eastman, Eta, our worthy Toastmistress, who did herself justice amid such confusion. Toasts were responded to by Mrs. Muma, Omega, on *Looking backward* and Mrs. Hungerford, Chi, on *Looking forward*. It seemed splendid, indeed, to have sixty-six wearers of the kite from fifteen chapters assembled together. How we wish all our luncheons could be as well attended as this one! And they could all be if each girl would pledge herself anew to Kappa Alpha Theta.

On March 15, officers for the coming year were elected.

President—Louise Shipman Wagner, Delta '08.

Vice-president—Mabel Stewart Knapp, Psi '02-ex.

Secretary—Jessie Farr, Tau '00-ex.

Treasurer—Margaret Snodgrass, Beta '04.

Corresponding Editor—Kittie Button Payne, Psi '02.

Mrs. Wagner was elected delegate to convention with Jessie Farr as alternate. Our new president, Mrs. Wagner, is an enthusiastic Theta and under her leadership Delta alumnae will surely do something worth while.

Mrs. Eastman has kindly invited the whole chapter to hold its May or June meeting at her home in Kenilworth. We are all looking forward to this with much pleasure and are grateful to Mrs. Eastman for her invitation.

Delta alumnae wants and needs more members and all Thetas in Chicago need Delta alumnae.

29 March 1913

Kittie Button Payne, Psi '02.

EPSILON ALUMNÆ—COLUMBUS, OHIO

Epsilon alumnae sends greetings to all Thetas, far and near. Throughout the year, we have followed our plan of former years in holding meetings on the first Saturday of each month. This year, instead of assessing the members about 30 cents apiece for the suppers at the meetings, we have had a different committee of five or six girls to plan and pay for the supper at each meeting and have found this plan to be very satisfactory in every particular.

We have thirty-five members and at least twenty attend each meeting.

Lettie Downs, our President, entertained all Thetas in Columbus the first Saturday in October. The November meeting was held at the home of Alice Thacker Morris (Mrs. L. E.). Miss Charlotte Breyfogle, the new Dean for Women at Ohio State, was our guest, and she gave a delightful talk after our supper. The December meeting was a joint meeting of Epsilon alumnae and of Alpha Gamma and was initiation. It was held at the home of Ida Bobb (Mrs. Geo.). We celebrated Founders'-day in January, but did not have a regular January or February meeting. Our Founders'-day celebration was a very informal one. We had a fine chicken dinner and general good time at Worthington, a little village about nine miles North of Columbus.

Alpha Gamma held a second initiation at the home of Marie Schwartz, one of the alumnae.

The convention notes are so interesting! And a lovely European trip for those Thetas who can go! Two splendid opportunities for Thetas to really know each other. We are very glad, indeed, to have such opportunities. We all hope that the 1913 Convention will be the best ever and wish all success to those who go abroad.

26 March 1913

Eugenie R. Overturf, Epsilon Alumnae

ZETA ALUMNAE—INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Zeta alumnae has had a most enjoyable year. We have an advantage over most of the alumnae chapters in that we have new members coming in each year from the three college chapters: Alpha, Beta, and

Gamma. In this way we always keep young and do not get far away from the thought that we are still college girls.

At our regular meetings we have had delightful programs: a musicale, a play, an art exhibit, a lesson on laces. Then, too, we have had a definite object in view, i. e. to help Gamma toward a chapter house. The girls of that chapter are working industriously to that end and we are glad to help them.

The crowning success of the year was our Founders'-day luncheon. In this we call all the Thetas of the state to join us. This year they responded most heartily and about one hundred and forty met together January 25 at the Columbia club. Each college chapter gave a stunt. The alumnae chapter gave the connecting thread under the title of *The Jollies of 1913* with Miss Arda Knox acting as "Chief Jollier". Gamma chapter gave a clever little skit *What shall we do with her*, relating to the trials of the rushing season. Alpha chapter gave an original farce *The girl with the green feather*, a burlesque on the long interfraternal contract before pledging. One of the girls from Beta gave a very clever sketch *The talk of the chapter hut*, the underlying theme being the new chapter house under contemplation. The program was arranged by Mrs. Josephine Pitman Scribner who also gave the report on deportment, scholarship and moral rectitude. Mrs. Nelle Bigham Robinson was unusually clever in her account of the *Last wireless convention*. Miss Edestina Hendrix gave a witty report of *The yellow journal*. Mrs. Marie Gwynne Hester's speech *Taxation without representation* was enthusiastically received.

Mrs. Grace Carter Davis gave the report of the Statistician, while Mrs. Grace Rawls Wheeler responded for the visitation committee.

Mrs. Louise Tutewiler Smith sang a song entitled *The scholarship fund*. All the program pertained to our own fraternity problems and was a clever variation from the time worn toasts.

Grace Carter Davis

ETA ALUMNAE—BURLINGTON, VERMONT

Eta alumnae has been living a pleasant though uneventful life this past year. If the saying is true that they are happy who have no history we ought to be happy indeed.

As our numbers are few a meeting can speedily be called whenever the spirit moves, without waiting for stated times. In this informal way we have met several times, over our work discussing college and fraternity matters and policies as well as other subjects of church and state.

It has been a great pleasure to have with us again Mabel Brownell '01, who is spending the year at her home in this city after some time spent in Hartford, Connecticut as Young Women's Christian association secretary. Otherwise the personnel of our chapter remains much the same as in past years.

In spite of wind, rain, and ice many of our members recently attended a banquet for college women, arranged by the U. V. M. alumnae club. Some gathering of the kind had long been contemplated and all were pleased at the success of the realization. The banquet was held in the sun parlor of the Van Ness house and was attended by about fifty women, representing twelve or thirteen different colleges. The banquet proper was followed by a most delightful "feast of reason" with Addie Edwards Paris (Mrs. L. J.) Lambda '82, president of the Alumnæ club, as toast-mistress, and most charmingly did she fill this office. After the program of toasts and college songs was ended a delightful talk in the form of reminiscences of Mrs. Julia C. R. Dorr was given by Beth Bradford Gilchrist of Rutland, a Holyoke graduate and author of the life of Mary Lyon.

Eta alumnae has its share of convention enthusiasm and scarcely one of Lambda's alumnae comes to town who is not greeted with the question, "Are you going to convention?" Of course "there's many a slip" and what seems an easy thing to compass when some weeks off becomes an impossibility when the time approaches, but now we are hoping to send a fair-sized contingent to Lake Minnewaska, where we are hoping to meet you all.

26 March 1913

Mary R. Bates

THETA ALUMNÆ—PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

The Theta alumnae meetings have been of the greatest interest this year—covering a variety of subjects, as usual, in their regular exercises. The topics have been as follows:—

October 16, at the College club, the *Panama canal*, by Sarah Hawkins Freeman (Mrs. Paul) Alpha Beta '09.

November 20, at the home of Mrs. Kerlin, *The Montessori method of education*.

December 18, at the home of Anna Griscom, *The Consumers league* by May Flannery, Alpha Beta '01.

January 15, at the home of Marion Comly, *Juvenile courts* by Edith Young, Iota '07. This was the Founders'-day meeting, and the members had a "song-fest" in honor of the day.

February 19, at the home of Therese D. Spackman, *A review of the annual art exhibit at the Philadelphia academy of fine arts*, by Madeline Morrison, Alpha Beta, '08.

March 19, at the home of Mary Janney, *The present wave of antagonism to women's fraternities in eastern colleges*, considered with regard to the coming convention, by Jennie Gilbert Kerlin, (Mrs. W. D.), Iota '00.

On April 16, at the home of Ellie Simons Bassett (Mrs. Edward), the general topic of the coming convention will again be given consideration by our President, Mrs. Kerlin, whom we have chosen as delegate, with Katharine Wolff as alternate in view of Mrs. Kerlin's possible inability to attend.

This year has been a prosperous and interesting one and our meetings are well attended and successful. I am sure that all of Theta alumnae will join me in recommending a program like ours, combining the thoughtful consideration of current topics of interest, with the social element of a jolly informal supper.

1 April 1913

Therese D. Spackman

IOTA ALUMNÆ—LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Iota alumnae's efforts this year have been along two lines. The Scholarship fund endowment plan and the consideration of National fraternity problems preparatory to convention. Through this work, which has aroused great interest, we have been in communication with other chapters and found it very interesting.

January 25 we celebrated Founders'-day with a luncheon at the

Annandale country club. About fifty Thetas were present. Edith Jordan, Phi, made a delightful toast-mistress. We were happy to have Mrs. Thayer and Mrs. Eldridge of Alpha with us, as through them we were brought in closer touch with the Founders.

All visiting Thetas are cordially invited to our meetings—the third Saturday of each month from October to June. Upon communicating with Miss Jessie Macfarland, 2644 Portland street, the place of meeting can be ascertained.

KAPPA ALUMNÆ—PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Kappa alumnae chapter meetings this year have been very pleasant due largely to the efforts of the President, Mrs. K. C. Randall, and the executive committee, in preparing a unique year book. While the object of the meetings is mainly social the "Talk Around" introduces some object of fraternity interest and aims to give every member an opportunity to express her opinion. Such subjects as "Pledging" and the "Kappa Alpha Theta pin" have been discussed. Officers' day, with a luncheon and the President's greeting, a Christmas party to which each member brought a Christmas package costing not more than twenty-five cents and drew one from underneath a pile of holly, and a Valentine party with original valentines have been enjoyed. Founders'-day anniversary was celebrated by a luncheon at the Fort Pitt hotel. A real birthday cake with forty-three candles in the center of the table and place cards tied with black and gold ribbon on tiny black cats, each holding a candle, pleased the twenty-two who attended as much as any personal birthday party ever has.

An Easter opening with "Paris creations", "College memories", with an up-to-date initiation, and a June picnic are still promised. The meetings are held the first Saturday afternoon of each month and Kappa always welcomes visiting Thetas.

Small bazaars at which were sold various things from dolly basinets to cakes and pies were held in connection with the meetings preceding Christmas to raise money for the Scholarship fund. One member had a specialty of little bows, another made angel-food cake, and everyone helped either by making or buying. A considerable sum was raised.

The chapter is particularly happy about the new baby Theta and the three little Theta brothers.

15 March 1913

Anna Slease

MU ALUMNÆ—CLEVELAND, OHIO

We of Mu alumnae chapter feel that the year 1912 to 1913 has been a most successful one. The genial spirit apparent at all meetings has been evidence of the oneness of our members. But harmony is not our only achievement; we have increased our numbers very considerably.

Those who have joined our ranks this year are Elizabeth Young Coppedge, (Mrs. E. P.), Alpha Eta, Elisa Candor, Epsilon, Dorothy Miller Campbell (Mrs. R. E.), Rho, and Cora Frick Criley (Mrs. John M.), Epsilon. Mary Elder Michael (Mrs. J. M.), we look upon as a prospective member of Mu alumnae. Another very new bride in Cleveland, Nellie Kilgore Meldrum, (Mrs. Barclay), Epsilon, whom we were waiting to welcome into our midst, has just changed her residence to Detroit, Michigan. I fear we do not surrender her with a good grace.

Unfortunately we have another unpleasant announcement to make, namely the temporary withdrawal of one of our most esteemed members, Flora Turman Laughlin, (Mrs. E. G.), of Alpha chapter. Owing to the distance between her home and Cleveland she was not often able to attend meetings, but we thoroughly appreciated her efforts to be present and hope she may soon be able to resume her membership in Mu alumnae.

Founders'-day we celebrated as usual with a special luncheon, this time in a private dining-room of our very new and elegant Hotel Staller, which had at that time been open only a month. The pansy was the chief table decoration and, when we left, each carried away a nose-gay which had helped to form the center-piece.

29 March 1913

Emma Weitz

NU ALUMNÆ—SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

The new chapter house owned by Chi Association of Kappa Alpha Theta incorporated and the remodelling of the constitution for the

national fraternity have determined the spheres of Nu alumnae's activities during the last year.

At a meeting of all stockholders of the corporation held last June, nine directors for this year were elected—several of them necessarily being from Nu alumnae although the active chapter and out of town alumnae were represented. During the summer these directors supervised the repairs and cleaning of the house so that, when college opened, the much desired new home of our own was in readiness for Chi chapter. How we all, active and alumnae, swelled with pride when in October it was opened formally by a reception to city and college friends! Our regular monthly meetings are held at the homes of members as formerly but during the holiday vacation we had an "old-timers' feast and visit" in the new chapter house. Twenty-three alumnae gathered there for an informal supper followed by a short discussion of fraternity and college matters and teeming from first to last with informal visiting and reminiscences. We all felt so enthused that we are planning to make it an annual event and hope that we may have many out-of-town alumnae with us each year.

The committee appointed by the chapter has been working away as best it could on the revision of the constitution and has been reporting its brilliant ideas to the chapter. We realize that some of the alumnae chapters may feel that we are late in reporting our plans to them but to any impatient ones just let me say—"Try it yourself next time and see how your best-laid plans concerning time "gang aft aglae,". Before you read this letter, you will probably have our report so I will simply bespeak for it your interested scrutiny and your fair but lenient judgment. We expect a full, free and profitable discussion at convention of both old and new ideas and trust that the combined efforts of all of us will produce the best possible working document for our growing fraternity.

2 April 1913

Mabel Parker Stilwell

RHO ALUMNÆ—DENVER, COLO.

The members of Rho alumnae from many different colleges, are women of various tastes and pursuits. The housewives have not always kept in touch with college affairs. The teachers and college

secretaries have been submerged by their work. But all have preserved their love and loyalty for Kappa Alpha Theta. With this bond, Rho alumnae have developed a genuine affection for one another. As "iron sharpeneth iron", our meeting together has been of very real benefit.

We celebrated Founders'-day, as usual, with a luncheon at the Metropole hotel. We had several visiting Thetas with us. This social hour was most enjoyable.

At the February meeting, we elected new officers. Mrs. H. M. Barrett, Mu, our president, will be nominated for vice-president of the Denver Panhellenic at the April meeting.

At the March meeting, the Alpha Zetas, the applying group for Kappa Alpha Theta at Denver University, were our guests. The girls gave a delightful program of college and Alpha Zeta songs, and a clever playlet that carried us back to our own college days.

Our meetings are held the third Saturday of each month. Visiting Thetas are always heartily welcome.

Mary Stevenson Buchtel

TAU ALUMNAE—LINCOLN, NEB.

Tau alumnae has been widely scattered the past year, from Washington state to New York, and from Porto Rico to Egypt. But it has proven very interesting to the stay-at-homes to hear of the adventures. We have met every two weeks, and only very serious causes have been able to keep any member away from a meeting. *She* might get gossiped about.

We have had several enjoyable foregatherings with Rho chapter, too, a Welcome home party in the fall, where the alumnae quite forgot their dignity; the annual Christmas tree; and the initiation banquet. The night before initiation Tau alumnae and all the visiting Thetas who came back for the event, treated themselves to a theatre party, Rose Stahl in *Maggie Pepper*. Georgia Field lent her beautiful new home for the annual Cotillion, where the alumnae and rushees were the guests of the active chapter.

All alumnae of Nebraska have been very much excited over University removal. The question is whether the campus shall be removed

to the State Farm site, or stay where it is and condemn outlying property for the necessary additional ground. Every one admits that to remove it would result ultimately in a much more beautiful and dignified campus, but for reasons of convenience and sentiment a great many prefer the present location. It is still a question.

We sincerely mourn the death of Ella Harper, a most loyal Theta, and one of Tau alumnae's charter members.

Katharine Cline

UPSILON ALUMNÆ—SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Upsilon alumnae chapter announces her new officers elected at the January meeting. President, Mrs. A. F. Chandler, Phi; Vice-president, Eleanor Carson, Omega; Corresponding secretary and treasurer, Minnett Miller, Alpha Delta; Recording secretary, Mrs. R. B. Hale, Phi. It will seem strange to anyone even remotely familiar with Upsilon alumnae not to see the name of Zella Fay Campbell among the officers, so closely has she been associated with the chapter since the time of its incipiency. But Mrs. Campbell still remains the good Angel of Upsilon, even though she has insisted upon abandoning the honor of office holding. Our new president, Mrs. Chandler, has taken her place at the helm with enthusiasm and right good will and under her guidance the chapter will, without question enjoy a year of growth and prosperity.

Our membership is at date between thirty and forty, our members being drawn not only from the bay cities of San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley, but also from Ross Valley, San Rafael, San Mateo, Los Gatos and San Jose. The establishing of an alumnae chapter at Palo Alto has drawn somewhat from our ranks, but we are none the less glad to welcome a sister alumnae chapter so near to us.

With the new year, the plan of meetings has been changed. Instead of the monthly meetings at the homes of members, we are to hold at least three large luncheons a year in one of the bay cities. The first of these, the Founders'-day luncheon, was held February 1 in the banquet room of the New Hotel Oakland, and was attended

by about thirty Thetas. Henrietta Stadtmüller, as toast-mistress, with her well-known cleverness and quick wit, soon struck the keynote of fun and informality and there followed the rare genuine "good time". In place of the usual set speeches, everyone at the table who could be prevailed upon, was to recount some incident in her experience which would evoke either laughter or tears.

The next luncheon is to be at the Hotel Shattuck in Berkeley, on Saturday, April 5. At this meeting Katherine Culver and Florence Burwell are to give their *Romeo and Juliet* extravaganza, which won such applause at the convention in Pasadena.

Upsilon alumnae is hopeful that her members may increase during the year and it is her great desire that any Thetas residing or visiting around the bay will make themselves known to us that we may extend to them a welcoming hand.

31 March 1913

Claire Soulé

PHI ALUMNÆ—BALTIMORE, MD.

I believe all fifteen members of Phi alumnae would join me in saying that we have had a good year. Socially our monthly meetings, held at noon, on the first Saturday in every month, at the homes of members, have been a great success. We have followed the same plan as last year; the hostess providing luncheon for 12 or 15, at a cost not greater than \$2.50. It is great fun having her tell just how much everything cost, after we have consumed the goodies, for, truly, our menus have been fine. After luncheon we have our business meetings, the girls usually bring their embroidery and some of us often stay all afternoon.

Then we have enjoyed having some definite work to do. Last fall Phi alumnae was appointed the Educational committee for this year. Soon afterward our president called us together and we began making definite plans for getting out the syllabus and the fraternity examination questions. Some definite work was given to each member and all went to work, so that the syllabus was ready by December 1. Just at present, April 1, we are all very busy marking examination papers. We thought the fairest method would be for one girl to mark the same question on every paper, after we had decided what

should be the value of every question. Then someone would average up the marks at the end. We are in the throes of this task at present and if any one thinks it easy I would like her to try marking a few papers. I am not prepared yet to give any opinion of these papers.

Many of the Phi alumnae are Alpha Delta girls and they have been working very hard this winter, helping to raise the \$1,000,000, needed to save Goucher from closing its doors. Of course, it is an interest very near our hearts—and on April 4 we shall know whether the college is to be continued. We earnestly pray that the money may be raised.

We expect Phi alumnae to be well represented at convention. Many of us from Baltimore and Alpha Delta alumnae from elsewhere, are planning to go along with the Alpha Delta girls.

To those of us who know something of the 1911 convention and the Catskill mountains, June 24-27, 1913 offer great attractions. We are all talking and planning whenever we meet. At our meeting on April 5 we hope to discuss some of the problems which are to be discussed at convention, so that we may have some knowledge of the fraternity's most vital interests. Some of us see a good deal of the Alpha Delta girls, we always enjoy being with them. On Founders' day we had a little party to which the college girls were invited. So we all celebrated the occasion together. A college chapter can be a great inspiration to alumnae. Phi alumnae send greetings to all alumnae and hope to see many of their old friends at Lake Minnewaska.

31 March 1913

Ruth Haslup

PSI ALUMNAE—EVANSTON, ILL.

As all members of Psi alumnae had not returned from summer outings by the first of September, the first meeting of the chapter for the year, was held in November at the home of Mrs. C. W. Spofford.

At this afternoon meeting, it was decided to hold monthly luncheons at the homes of members, on the second Tuesday of each month, after which would follow a business session. The first of these luncheons was held at the home of our President, Mrs. Harry Manchester, in January, assisting hostesses Mrs. Harry Byers and Mrs. Frank Murray.

In February Mrs. George Peaks assisted by Mrs. Frank Oates and Mrs. James Orchard, entertained us.

Mrs. Carl Williams will have the March luncheon, assisted by Mrs. Charles Spofford and Mrs. Nathaniel Helm.

It was decided at the February meeting to give a luncheon at commencement time, in honor of the Thetas who received highest honors in Tau chapter here in Northwestern.

We were delighted to have Mrs. George Woodley with us at Founders'-day festivities.

Miss Alta Miller with Tau chapter entertained January 11 the women of Northwestern university.

Several of our members are out of Evanston for winter trips—i. e., Mrs. William Mason and family are in California, also Mrs. Harry Byers and family. Mrs. Harry Manchester is in Florida; Mrs. Frank Oates at French Lick.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spofford and family have returned from their year abroad and are spending the winter at their home in Evanston. Mrs. James Orchard entertained Mrs. David W. Holmes, (Tau) in January.

15 March 1913

Elizabeth Bonnell Williams

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ALPHA BETA ALUMNÆ—TORONTO, CANADA

While our little chapter here cannot boast of any progress in the length of its chapter-roll, it can at least lay claim to holding its own. We are still dependent on Sigma's alumnae for recruits and there were only three girls to graduate last June. Of these, Bessie Graydon is now married and living in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Blanche Steele is teaching in Georgia, and Gertrude Graydon, while now one of our number, is so occupied with her work as assistant at one of our social settlements that she is never able to attend chapter meeting. To be sure, we have Marion Coats '10, married and back in Toronto, but, on the other hand, our other two 1910 girls, Kathleen McAlister and Hazel Kemp, have been married in the past year and have left us for such far-away places as Sault Ste. Marie and Montreal. Then too, husbands and families seem to be most imperative in their de-

mands on some of us, so it is but a faithful few who gather together each month at the home of one of the members to discuss Sigma and Alpha Beta alumnae affairs in particular, and those of Theta in general.

To look back to the first great event in our chapter life since our last letter went to press, there was the usual house-party during the last week of May and the first of June. We accepted Alice Anderson's kind invitation to her father's summer cottage on Lake Rosseau, Muskoka. Despite the distance, the party proved the largest yet, and the only matters to keep our happiness from being complete were that Margaret Anderson '07, owing to her Young Woman's Christian association secretaryship in Vancouver, British Columbia, could not be joint-hostess with her sister, and that one or two others, at liberty only for week-ends, could not take such a long trip for so short a time. It was a never-to-be-forgotten house-party, from the morning we had our first lesson in cleaning fish, and the day we all photographed the farmer's wife's new baby, to the time we were stranded on a deserted shore and had to trudge home seven miles over ground where sharp rocks were succeeded by burnt stumps, and burnt stumps by marshy fields. We might not be alive to tell the tale, had not a kind neighbor (the donor of the above-mentioned fish) presented us with a gallon or so of home-made ice-cream, in celebration of the fact that it was King George's birthday.

We shared in the rushing this year, although somewhat less than before, because of the new local Panhellenic rules. Perhaps the most enjoyable event be participated in was the stunt-party at Lois McPhedran's '15. We turned out in large numbers to initiation in January, when Alice Anderson '13 again offered us her hospitality, and when we had a splendid reunion with such alumnae as Louise Carpenter '05, Kathleen McAlister Lang '10 and Olive MacKay '10. Founders'-day luncheon was jointly celebrated by Sigma and ourselves; and last but not least, we shared with Sigma the pleasure and inspiration of our District president's visit in January.

The problems occupying us at present are convention and arrangements for the May house-party. May many of us go to both!

March 1913

Mabel Millman Hincks

ALPHA GAMMA ALUMNÆ—MADISON, WISCONSIN

The chapter of Alpha Gamma alumnae is not cast in heroic mould and hence can chronicle no list of deeds worthy of vaunt. The desire of the chapter has been for informality—a sort of protest against the club business meetings of one kind or another to which most of us are subject. Accordingly, a business meeting reduced to a minimum precedes the regular monthly tea-drinkings of the chapter, though the business meetings are for the most part tolerated as a traditional and hence inevitable preliminary to the real thing.

Our last meeting took on the nature of a kitchen shower for the newest bride-to-be, at which the uninitiated were made wise by the explanations, given by the donors, of the uses whereto their respective gifts might be applied.

But lest you think us frivolous minded—a committee from the alumnae chapter meets once a month with the college chapter to further the acquaintance between the two. And though our efforts are not all recorded in the secretary's book, the chapter is keeping constantly in minds its possible assistance to the college girls.

We are inclined in Wisconsin to moralize our fraternity song this year, too, because of the bill now before the legislature contemplating the abolishing of the fraternities. Whatever may be the outcome of the bill, whatever the fate of the bill itself, at least we are brought face to face with the question of the community usefulness of the fraternities. Granted that they give comfortable homes to certain students, granted that the members themselves are participating in the activities of the universities to however great an extent, granted the usefulness of those members as citizens, we have yet to answer the question as to whether the organizations as such are making a contribution to the life of the whole university that could not be made by the members as individuals. Whether because of their organized force the fraternities are counting in the social life as a purifying force; whether they can be counted upon to insist upon honest work; whether they can be counted upon to contribute their influence to the genuineness and simplicity of university living: these are the questions which the alumnae are trying to help the college chapter to solve, and these are the ideals which they are insisting upon as the future justification for the existence of fraternities.

April 5, 1913

CHAPTER LETTERS AND ALUMNÆ NEWS

ALPHA—DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

February 8 college opened for the second semester. After the brief vacation everyone went to work with renewed vigor—especially on the rush. For a few weeks excitement ran high, as the first rushing parties were being given, and it was worth our while to know how the parties impressed the freshmen, what girls were rushed by certain chapters and what chapters had the best stand in.

Our first rushing party, which was the first one given by any chapter, was February 14. We made a Valentine dance of it, and carried the idea of the day out as far as possible. The rooms were strung with graduated red hearts; ferns filled every available corner, and the house was lighted with red candles, which gave a very pretty effect. Dozens of red carnations helped to carry out the idea. Favors of tiny white cupids were given. We made this party rather general, and between thirty and forty freshmen were entertained.

Our next party came March 8, and then we only invited the girls to whom we were giving a hard rush. This time we gave a rushing show, called *Katherita's Kollege*, which everyone seemed to like. Afterwards there was a chafing dish luncheon; the guests were seated four at a table, with one Theta presiding at each chafing dish. The decorations in pink roses, and smilax, the place cards were tiny French baskets tied with black and gold tulle and filled with pink sweet peas. We sang fraternity songs between courses.

We entertained the resident Theta alumnae a short time ago, giving a play. After refreshments the college girls gathered around the piano and sang their favorite songs for the alumnae. We enjoyed having the alumnae with us that evening, for it seemed to draw us all closer together.

Easter morning we had an Easter breakfast, for some of the town girls; nothing elaborate, but we had lots of fun with them.

President Gross is to be inaugurated on April 23, and that is the matter filling our minds just now. The recent election of a convention delegate has turned our thoughts towards convention, and what

a good time we expect to have there. Many of the active girls expect to go, and at convention we hope to see many of you.

Elma Green

Ruth Baker is back from Europe, and will fill a vacancy in the Academy, the rest of this term.

Several Beta girls were stranded here for a few days during the floods. Born to Dr and Mrs McGauhey a son.

Miss Martha Ridpath has been quite ill at her home here in Greencastle. Helen Reckert Allen, Brooklyn, N. Y. has a baby girl.

Mrs Walter Wheeler (Minnie Haskell) has visited her daughters recently.

'96 Blanche Basye Gilmore (Mrs E. A.) and family are spending the spring in Boston. They will spend next year in Europe.

BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

On March 21 we were all free for a five days vacation, between the end of the winter term and the beginning of the spring term, but that five days vacation has lengthened indefinitely. For the past few days it has not been hard to imagine that we are living in the time of our great-grandmothers. The storms have almost entirely cut us off from the rest of the world; there are no railroads, no telegraphs, no way of knowing where our scattered friends are or what they are doing. The university will not open for the next term until we can return to the present world.

After each term the university publishes the scholarship standing for all fraternities. The standard for determining the relative standing is based upon the number of failures and upon the number of high grades which each fraternity has—the one which has the greatest number of A's and B's (the two highest marks), and which has no failures, or at least, the fewest failures, is given first place. According to this standard Theta was second in the scholarship report for the fall term. Even second place is encouraging, but a letter from Dean Rawles was still better. Dean Rawles wrote that Kappa Alpha Theta had, on the whole, the highest average of any fraternity here, and if it had not been that one girl failed in one subject we should have had first place on the report. (The fraternity which was first had fewer high grades, but no failures). We are working to keep

up our standard of scholarship and hope that Theta shall soon be first on all records.

The whole student body, the faculty, and indeed almost all who are interested in the university, have been working together to obtain appropriations from the state legislature and their efforts are rewarded at last, for a bill has been passed which doubles the amount of taxes devoted to the university. This gives an additional income of \$300,000. The money will be used for general improvements—new buildings, new and more extensive courses, equipment of laboratories, and for many other necessities of a state university.

The winter term is one of the busiest of the year. Not only studies but social functions have taken a great part of our time and thoughts. For several weeks before February 22 spare time, and indeed some time that was not spare, was given to preparations for the Martha Washington cotillion. But we feel that the time was not wasted, for the cotillion was a great success. Theta was well represented in the Panthegatric masquerade which was given in the early part of March.

We are looking forward to the beginning of next term. Our short visit to the world of a century ago will make us appreciate our own world all the more when we return to it, and our unexpectedly long vacation makes the prospect of work all the brighter.

30 March

Henrietta Hepburn

'97 Beta mourns the loss of Oneta Allen, who died Feb. 23.

'12-ex Edith Gronandyke and Mary Hernley of Newcastle were here in the early part of March.

Gladys Martin, Alpha, visited us in February.

'12 Jeanne Crowder, '15, Abbie Shaeffer, and Edith Wilk came down for the cotillion, Feb. 22.

'04 Margaret Snodgrass is teaching history in Lake View high school, Chicago. Address: 1061 Dakin st.

GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

Gamma is very glad to at last be able to introduce to the national fraternity, her eleven splendid pledges; Gail Baker, Betty Stephenson, Lorine Jefferies, Katherine Kenny, Clara Wilson, Gail Barr, Bonnie Applegate, Francis Keith, Helen Hand, Hilda Kinder, and Jewel

Wilkinson. These girls are the result of our eighteen weeks rush, for which our short relationship with them as pledges has amply repaid us, and we are all looking forward eagerly to their approaching entrance into Thetahood.

Our last rush party, a formal dinner at the home of Helen Reed, was we feel particularly effective. The tables were decorated with smilax and sunburst roses, and a novel touch was added in the candle shades, which were of black and gold, and bore the Theta coat-of-arms. During the dinner a harpist played, and the Theta prayer was rendered in a beautiful and impressive manner. For the success of this party we are greatly indebted to Mrs. Reed and our alumnae for their generous assistance and advice.

Our largest and most elaborate party this year was our dance at the Claypool Hotel, March 15, which we cooperated with Zeta alumnae in giving. The grand march, of one hundred and fifty couples, was formed in the shape of a kite. Ices were served during the intermission and favors of corsage bouquets and boutonniers of violets were distributed. Too much appreciation and commendation can not be extended to Lois Brown, one of our alumnae, who so ably managed the dance.

On April 3 the college paid tribute to the seniors who, following an old custom, wore their caps and gowns for the first time to chapel and were received by the faculty into the "closer fellowship of scholarship." We have two seniors this year, Mary Bragg and Gwyneth Harry.

The faculty has recently drawn up new regulations for fraternity initiations. Our initiates must have completed six majors work at Butler and must be approved of by the faculty before we can consider them.

Convention time draws near and we are all beginning to imbibe some of the inspiration and appreciation of fraternity that convention spells and we are hoping to have at least two or three representatives there.

'09-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Ernest Foley (Jess Ragsdale) a girl, Betty Louise.

'09-ex Born Oct. 31, to Mr and Mrs. Max Leckner (Reliance Holton) a girl.

'09 Lois Brown will be a member of the Theta European tour this summer.

'14-ex Laura Harrod will go to Purdue April 18, to attend a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ party.

Edna Boos will go to Purdue, April 18 to attend a $\Delta T \Delta$ house-party and the Junior Prom.

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Our greatest event since Easter has been our reception for faculty, friends, and university women. The guests were received by the patronesses, Mrs. Gaskell, and Margaret Sawyer. The house was decorated with palms, jonquils, and smilax. March 28 was the first really spring day we had had, and aided in giving the right touch to our reception.

These last two weeks, we have been having a "mothers' party." Four of the girls' mothers have visited us. We have enjoyed having them here, more than we can tell.

Two of the annual spring affairs of the university girls will soon be things of the past. One is the Woman's league annual costume party for all university girls. Here all the girls are given a chance to meet socially. It has been such a success in the past that it is looked forward to with great pleasure by everyone. The other is the Annual stunt show under the management of the Young Women's Christian association. Each organization presents a stunt. The one having the best is given \$10 and possession of a loving-cup for one year. The stunt show is another means of creating interest for university activities among the girls.

Agitation has been started through the Woman's league for self-government here at Illinois. A trial constitution has been drawn up. Nothing definite will be done till the delegates to the Conference of the Middle West universities on self-government have returned from Madison, Wisconsin. The sentiment is for self-government and we are *very sure* it will go through.

Born, a daughter, Patricia Blanche to Mr and Mrs Paul Busey, (Blanche Black), Urbana, Ill.

Mayme Baldwin, Rockford, Ill. Margaret Niver, Muscatine, Iowa, Wini-

fred Jones, Tuscola, Ill. Nelle Holland, Veedersburg, Indiana, Marguerite Costello, Chicago, Ill. have been visitors at the Theta house the past month.

Agnes Porter has been recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Margaret Sawyer has been elected president of Woman's League for year 1913-14.

EPSILON—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY

Since this has to be our last letter to the Journal, we must come to that dreaded farewell. It scarcely seems possible that as old and apparently well established chapter as Epsilon should come to the place where it ceases to be recognized. Nevertheless each and every one of us shall always be proud to claim our membership in Epsilon and will feel unremittingly grateful to her for making it possible for us to become Thetas, for with the name of Theta we associate the most enjoyable and memorable events of our college life. Although we may be deprived of our right to exist as a chapter here, we can not be robbed of our Theta spirit and interest, or our gratitude to her for her kindness at this time. But let us not say farewell forever, because we still want to be counted as one of you, to meet you at Convention and to have many opportunities to prove our love and loyalty to Kappa Alpha Theta.

Mary N. Mateer.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

On March 22 we held spring initiation for which many of the alumnae were back. We initiated Helen Baker, Florence Wilson, and Jessie Allen.

The annual Michigan Union Opera, *Contrarie Mary* was given the week of the twenty-fourth. It was a comic opera, the scene of which was laid in Merrie England during the seventeenth century, and it is said to be the best one that has been given so far. As usual we had a rushing party over the week-end, going to the opera in the afternoon and having a card party in the evening.

The first week in April the Junior play is to be given. This year instead of having one long play, there are to be two short ones, one of which is written by Emily Gilfillan. There are seven Thetas in the production and Isabelle Rizer has the leading role.

The May Festival this year will be held in Hill Memorial auditorium, which has just been completed, and is a magnificent building accommodating about five thousand. This year promises to be an especially fine one, as Schumann Heink and several other prominent names are on the program.

We are very glad to say that the Residence Halls for which we have been working so long are to be a reality. Ground has been bought by the university across from the campus, and it is hoped that one Hall will be finished next year.

The fraternity question has been taken up here by the faculty, and we are to be given two years in which to adopt stricter methods of rushing and pledging.

23 March 1913

Emily M. Gilfillan

'03 Mrs Cantwell, mother of Bess Cantwell died March 8, 1913. We extend our sympathy to Bess in her bereavement.

'06 Ann Mulheron is expecting to leave for Honolulu this spring, where she will teach.

'13-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Sam Roberts (Catherine Sherwood), Mar. 24, 1913, a son, Sherwood Roberts.

Anna Adams, Tau, Marjorie Lovejoy, Upsilon and Isabelle Wheeler, Alpha Zeta, have been visiting recently in Ann Arbor.

IOTA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

We can hardly realize that this year is so nearly over. It certainly has been a short one, and when we think of the big Theta house-party which is to end it, our year will have been full of successes and pleasures.

In January our District president, Abbie Finlay Potts, visited us. We had the best of times while she was here. Being an Iota alumna and having visited here before, we all know her well. This added to the pleasure of her visit.

After many hours of work and cramming for the fraternity examination, Iota has now turned her interests to convention. Many of the girls are going and we hope to see our sisters of whom we hear so often.

The Iota Theta formal dance is to be given next week-end, April

24, and our spare minutes are given up to the preparation for that event.

The Junior class stunt was given last month. All of the juniors took part.

15 April 1913

Susan May Bontecou.

- '13 Rebecca Harris received a Phi Beta Kappa.
- '09 Born Apr. 1 to Margaret Van Dusen (Mrs Carpenter) a daughter, Caroline Margaret Carpenter. Her address is 5437 B Walnut St. Philadelphia, Pa.
- '13 Kate Northrup (Mrs Fisher) is now living at 1004 Cortland ave. Syracuse.
- '12 Margaret E. Mandeville has returned to Ithaca from her visit in Duluth.
- '09 Lois Wing Burrell (Mrs Loomis) was here visiting for a few days in Mar.
- Mrs A. B. Comstock has resumed her university work after an illness.
- '12 Jeanette McKenzie is now living at 554 N. Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y.
- Helen Dixon '12, Louise Bontecou '14 and Susan Bontecou '14 will sail June 24 for a 3 months trip in Europe.
- Amelia Heapleigh's address is 20 S. Lenox st. Worcester, Mass.
- Helen Woods Baker's address is 1219 S. Carson ave. Tulsa, Okla.
- '16-ex Margaret Coate's address is 43 5th ave. New York city.
- '04 Dr Ida Laird Darrow (Mrs D.) is living in Winnetka, Ill.
- '08 The new address of Edna Mertz Carman (Mrs. P. D.) is 6064 Jefferson ave. Chicago.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Kansas university has suffered a severe loss during the past month. Profesor Carruth, vice-chancellor of the university has accepted a position at Stanford university. We are indeed sorry that he is leaving but we appreciate the honor conferred upon him.

After an exciting election today, Florence Fuqua was elected president of Young Women's Christian association.

Kappa chapter is very proud of two of her seniors, Fredericka Hodder and Lois Harger, who have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Our freshman class gave an April Fool party in honor of the upper classmen, March 29, which was great fun. The evening was spent in dancing with a card room for those who wished to play. The programs were in the shape of a dance costume but there was no

cotton in the biscuits or sugar substituted for salt in the refreshments that were served.

The dramatic productions at the university have been remarkably good this year. Thetas have appeared in most of them, the more recent appearances being Emily Foster in the Thespian play, the *Aviator*, Elsa Barteldes in the German play and the Sophomore farce, Katherine Stone in the French play, and Amarynthia Smith in the Junior farce.

Myra Philley, a freshman whom we pledged in the fall, has returned to college having quite recovered from her illness. Initiation was held for her at the chapter house March 4.

We are all getting the Convention fever now. Several of the active girls, besides our delegate, are planning to go and some of the alumnae too. The plans surely sound attractive enough to make every Theta have a great desire to be there and make every effort to go. We hope to see you *all* there.

2 April 1913

Marian Bedford

Mr George T. Nicholson, traffic vice-president of the Santa Fe railroad, died in Los Angeles March 30. Our sincerest sympathy goes out to Mrs Nicholson one of Kappa's charter members.

Mrs Annie Fuller Riggs died Mar. 27 at her home after a long illness. Kappa extends her sympathy to her daughters who have been so helpful to Theta.

Maxie Buechle has moved to 3515 Cherry st. Kansas City, Mo.

Lucile Topping, Mildred James, and Nellie Taylor are expected for the Junior Prom Apr. 4.

Beatrice Neumuller, Katherine Stone, Elsa Barteldes, and Nell Carraher went to Kansas City to assist at the Theta tea given at the home of Mrs Ellison.

'14-ex Bessie Anderson is to be married early in May to Frank Preyer. They will live in Boone, Colo.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

Lambda is rejoicing over the prospect of a Theta Convention in the East and the opportunity of meeting so many Thetas. Our one regret is that our entire twenty-eight girls cannot be there to share in the unusual privilege. The joys of those who can attend are only

equalled by the sighs of the seniors and others, less fortunate, who will be there only in spirit.

We are proud of our six new initiates who received their pins, March 22, at the home of Mrs. Jacobs. We are sure they will be worthy bearers of the kite. There are five girls from Burlington; Ruth Grandy, Helen Rutter, Constance Votey, Dorothy Votey and Ethel Ware; and Catherine Dudley of Randolph, Vermont. Several alumnae and former members of 1913 were back to assist in the ceremony and the beauty of the service was greatly increased by the participation of Mrs. Votey and Ruth Votey, '11. Initiation banquet was the usual happy occasion and was held at the Hotel Van Ness.

Contributions are being solicited for the fittings of the new grand stand at Centennial Field which is to replace the one burned this spring.

An evening of rhythmic expression was the title given to the gymnasium exhibition, given under the leadership of Mrs. Stone, our gymnasium instructor. The aesthetic and folk dances and drills were greatly enjoyed and the evening was a success in every way. Seventeen Thetas took active part in the group and solo dances. The automatic Doll Dance by Nina Shepardson '14 was as charming for its kind as was the Gipsy Dance by Bernadine Kimball '15.

We trust this Convention may rival in pleasure that most enjoyable and far famed gathering of the clans on the California coast.

30 March 1913

Bessie Thayer

The following representatives of Eta alumnae chapter were present at initiation: Miss Martin, Miss Crooker, Mrs Paris, Mrs Votey, Miss Mary Bates, Miss Boynton and Mrs Ruth Bond Gray, Effie Wells, A. M. '12; Ruth Votey, '11; Helen Daniels, '13-ex; Edith Brown, '13-ex; Ruth Tracy, '13-ex; Hazel Weeks, '13-ex; and Margaret Tracy, '14-ex were also present at the service.

1913 and 1916 members of Lambda held a reunion at Grassmount, March 23, and passed a pleasant evening discussing past, present and future.

MU—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

Initiation was on February 10, and a pleasurable event it was. Several alumnae were back and helped to make it an ideal initiation.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, a Theta mother and father, presented to us on that day some beautiful cut glass sherbet dishes.

Klee-o-kleet has chosen a play entitled *The twig of thorn*. All the poetic feeling of the old Irish folk-lore enters into the play and gives it a special appeal. The cast will be announced soon.

March 8 the girls basketball team won a brilliant victory over Geneva college by a score of 17-4. The gymnasium teemed with enthusiasts, for every girl in college was present either to play the game or to shout and root for the players.

On the evening of March 19 services were held in chapel in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of David Livingston.

The Young Women's Christian association recently presented a clever little farce in six acts entitled *Every day at Alleghe*. The entertainment was given in the college gymnasium and was unique in every particular. Starting with an 8:10 freshman Public speaking class, in which faculty members and students were admirably parodied, and passing through chapel hour, in which every detail was carefully worked out even to a human representation of the chapel organ, on through the day to a midnight serenade beneath the windows of Hulings hall, the scenes progressed bringing in many a typical college activity and many a humorous local hit.

The basketball season closed March 21 with a final victory for Allegheny over the University of Pittsburgh. We are proud to have won ten games out of the twelve played.

At the Young Women's Christian association election held March 17 two Thetas were chosen officers for the coming year.—Muza Anchors '14, president; May Girsham '14, vice-president.

1 April 1913

Gay Kellogg

'04 Bess Dutton was here for the Washington's birthday banquet.

'07 Hattie Johnson was the guest of Mary Sansom '14, on Mar. 14-15.

'11 Ruth Kelley is spending her Easter vacation at her home in Meadville.

'13-ex Helen Dutton has left college and is seriously ill at her home in Meadville.

The following alumnae were here for initiation, Feb. 8: '00 Sabra Vought; '09 Nulu Neale; '10 Lottie Hammett, Grace Miller; '11 Bess Metcalf, Mae Straw;

'12 Augusta Gibbons, Florence McElwain, Helene Peck, Marguerite Sheldadine; '15-ex Margaret Yingling.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

On February 22, Rho pledged these ten girls: Helen Koehler, Hastings; Juliette Proudfit, Alice Proudfit, Florence Angle, Helen Matteson, all of Lincoln; Marguerite Marshall, Lulu Mae Coe, Erma Jones, all of Omaha; Marion Preece, Battle Creek; Blanche Stewart, Detroit, Michigan. So, in all, we have eleven splendid new girls, for earlier in the year we pledged a Theta sister, Dorothy Wallace of Lincoln.

Saturday, March 15, was the big day of the year for us. In the morning initiation was held at the chapter house and in the evening our annual banquet was given at the Lincoln Hotel. There were about sixty present and among them were Mildred Post Lancaster, our District president, and Martha Cline Huffman, Grand treasurer. March 4-9, Miss Oolooah Burner, Alpha, national student secretary of the Young Women's Christian association, was in Lincoln. I am sure that all university girls profited by her short stay here. Her meetings were very interesting and the large attendance at them showed her wonderful success. We were proud to have her a Theta.

Rho has had some bad luck also. Mamie Anderson, '15, has had to leave college for the remainder of the semester on account of poor health. Linna Flemming too, is on the sick list. She has been in the hospital for two weeks now and it is not certain yet when she will be able to leave.

April 19 we will have our formal dance. Geraldine Gray will lead the grand march.

The annual Kismet Club play will be presented April 25. Two Thetas, Willa Spier and Marion Preece, will have prominent parts.

We are rejoicing over the fact that two Nebraska Thetas were elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year, Ruth Lindley and Helen Wallace.

29 March 1913

Louise Bedwell

'06 Marie Nettleton Rose (Mrs Fred) was back for banquet.

'08-ex Born, to Mary Fahs Brown (Mrs Alva) a son.

'11 Alice McCullough Owen (Mrs H. K.) has returned from California where she spent the winter.

'11 Julia Hainer recently announced her engagement to Mr Hallet R. Robbins of Pullman, Wash. Miss Hainer is now visiting friends on the coast.

'15-ex Hazel Hamilton and her mother, who have been spending the winter in California, will return to Nebraska early in April.

SIGMA—TORONTO UNIVERSITY

We had to give up our chapter room earlier than usual this year, and have been having the meetings at the homes of the different girls. It has proved quite an enjoyable experiment, as it added an element, which a chapter room cannot give and made us wish more and more that we had a chapter house of our own.

We initiated Elspeth Middleton '15 on March 27 at Lois McPhe-drans home. Our chapter is larger than ever before, and though we have stopped regular meetings for the year, we are all looking forward to the house party, which takes place immediately after examinations and is always the nicest time of the year in our chapter life.

The elections for the Women's literary society were held on Saturday, March 8, and Muriel Cameron '14 was elected president. There is always great interest and excitement in this election, and we are glad that one of our girls was successful.

We have been enjoying a series of organ recitals in Convocation hall this year. The faculty have been most interested, and so the students have heard some of the best organists during the college year.

Early in February the Women's dramatic club of the university presented *Twelfth night*. They were very carefully trained, and the performance is said to have been the best of the kind presented in the university.

Nearly all the college activities are over. We always have our senior's tea late in the year. It has become a custom in the chapter and this year it is to be held on April 14 at Mildred Macpherson's home. It gives us an opportunity to see each other and the alumnae after really hard work has begun.

31 March 1913

Jean B. Tom

'09 Mona McLaughlin and Ida Carpenter are going to spend the summer abroad.

'11 Mrs Weaver (Betty Graydon) of Johnstown, Penn. is visiting in Toronto.

'11 Mary Kentner has gone abroad for the summer.

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

April Fool! Were you ever wakened in the early dawn by your bell clanging the signal that means a telegram, or a very special delivery letter, slipped into a kimona to tear to the office, and then gotten from the maid a written message of this sort: "Fair one, how much sleep would you have slept if left sleeping?"

Not a very encouraging beginning for the day on which a bright and optimistic *Journal* letter must be written.

Quarantined fraternity houses—the Sigma Alpha Epsilon for scarlet fever and the Phi Kappas for *measles*; weddings, Panhellenic teas, a Saint Patrick's day party, and third place in scholastic standing among the fraternities are some of the things that have come to us since our last letter.

Panhellenic, to afford us an opportunity for getting better acquainted with the freshmen, gave a series of three teas; three, in order that the large freshman class might be taken in alphabetical installments. They proved very successful in spite of the "Daily's" raised eye-browed comments about them.

Our Saint Patrick's party, given two days before the birthday of the revered Saint, at the Winnetka woman's club, was the social event next in line. We had two favor dances, one with cunning little Erin-go-Brach silk flags for the girls, and tall pompous green hats for the men; and the other, a telegram extra. Telegrams written, signed and sealed by each one of the girls beforehand were delivered to the men, who then danced with the fair maid from whom his message happened to be.

Last of all, taking third place in scholarship is indeed a thing of which we are proud. Panhellenic is giving a scholarship banquet,

inviting as guests the girl in each fraternity who has received the highest marks for the semester, Frances Sweet goes from Theta.

Good bye everybody until Convention time.

1 April 1913

Margaret Dana Wilcox.

'11 The marriage of Rachel Jones to Chauncy Hobart, B Θ ΙΙ, occurred the evening of March 25, at the first M. E. church, Evanston. Both local chapters of Beta and Theta were present.

'11 The engagement of Marie Benton to Elmer Jennings, B Θ ΙΙ, is announced. The wedding will be in June.

'13-ex Margaret Holton spent a couple of weeks with the Tau girls at Wilard hall. It was fine to have "Buddy" with us again.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Josephine Webster to Walter Strong, B Θ ΙΙ, April 14 at the First Presbyterian church. Catherine Wilson '10 comes up from Lexington, Ky. to be maid of honor.

Thirza Woods, a pledge from Beta visited Tau Mar. 15.

Fredericka Bergen is taking the Kindergarten course at Emporia, Kan.

'88 Mabelle Thatcher Little (Mrs Frank) of River Forest is very ill in New York.

'92 Mary E. Gloss has taken a year's leave of absence from her teaching, on account of ill health.

'91 Lina Kennedy Preston (Mrs B. C.) and husband of Spokane, Wash. are proving up a claim at St. Maries, Idaho.

UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Following a first few hints of spring, which invited campus strolls and cutting classes, a chilly March blizzard has blown down from the north, penetrating right through spring suits, and sweeping with it all desires for an Easter vacation. Winter came to a final and appropriate climax on the night of February 24, for Upsilon; so that the proverbial March lion, which came in with a bluster, was expected to fulfill his prophecy. On that night, Marian and Truman Rickard invited the whole active chapter to a sleigh-ride party. Ten dependable men, including not a few Theta devotees, conducted two sleighs full of Thetas on a "Kitten Limited" and a "Kat Express" tour, along the Mississippi river drive. We were as gay as a "Convention Special" and our porters were quite as accommodating. We dined in most extravagant fashion, with superlative appetites, in a special dinner at the Rickard's home. But contrary to the usual custom,

the climax of the evening had been reached long before we came to the "Eats." The "Kitten Limited" had a wreck, or, to abandon my figure, one sleigh tipped over and one team ran away. We were just emerging from the campus, on our way home, when it occurred to our mischievous driver to speed around a curve, and leave behind several stragglers, who trotted behind with cold feet. The sleigh slewed as it rounded the bend, and tipped at the opposite curbing. Blankets and Thetas littered the street, and the horses dashed off at a gallop. A few miscellaneous bumps and a broken sleigh were all the damages, no one of which could claim a suit against the management.

Upsilon counts herself fortunate in her recent acquaintance with Miss Oolooah Burner, Alpha, the national Young Women's Christian association secretary of New York. During Miss Burner's visit to Minnesota's association, she stayed at the chapter house, and lived among us for a few days. We are glad that her life touched ours as intimately as it did; we are proud to know her as a friend and a Theta.

The next few weeks, closing another college year, will mean a busy life for all Thetas. Seniors will soon be donning their caps and gowns, and the time for scattering will again be upon us. Upsilon sends good wishes for a joyous Commencement time to all Theta seniors.

And after Commencement—Convention! Those of us who cannot extend greetings in person, take this opportunity to send in advance our Theta love and best wishes for a jolly, inspiring and profitable 1913 Convention.

21 March 1913

Luella M. Bussey

^{'02} It is with great sorrow that we announce the death of Bess Andrews Weston (Mrs. Will S.) in Faribault, Minn.

^{'13} Mrs. Justina Wilson has recently been honored by election to Phi Beta Kappa.

^{'13} Muriel Harsha has announced her engagement to Archibald Campbell of Minneapolis.

The chapter house is a very cosmopolitan Theta community. There are representatives from Eta, Alpha Zeta, Psi, Alpha Pi, and Alpha Rho, all living

under the same roof with Upsilon active. The representatives are Lina Gjems, Mary Anderson, Jessie Donaldson, Blanche Dailey and Hazel Lotze, respectively.

'92 Anna Guthrie is visiting in California. She will spend sometime with the daughter of Dora Guthrie Huntington, also with Minnie Rexford Nicker-son.

'98 Beth Fisher Litzenberg (Mrs J. C.) has been in the east and met Anne Goodsil Slemons (Mrs J. Morris) of Baltimore.

'02-ex Born to Mr and Mrs T. H. Fillmore (Alice French) on Mar. 15, a daughter, Winifred Elizabeth. Address Lawndale, Cal.

Born, to Mr and Mrs C. M. Stockton (Maidie Traver), a son, in Faribault, Minn.

Alice Hasson Magnuson (Mrs P. B.) has moved to 5205 Greenwood ave. Chicago.

Mary Tomlinson Patee (Mrs Richard) has moved to 22 Highland Terrace, St. Louis.

'00-ex Upsilon extends sympathy to Sophia Williams Small whose mother has recently died.

'11 Alpha Zeta, Upsilon cordially welcomes into affiliated membership, Mary Anderson.

'13-ex Arlene Webster, who has been spending the winter on an extended southern trip, recently visited Alpha Eta chapter, Nashville, Tenn. on her way home.

'14 Helen Knowlton has been forced to her bed again with a renewal of her old appendicitis trouble.

Kate Morse March, who has been ill for the past few weeks is steadily gaining strength.

Miss Oolooah Burner, Alpha, visited Upsilon during the week of Feb. 24 to Mar. 3.

Upsilon announces the pledging of Marian Broadwater, of Havre, Montana.

'14 Katherine Bright visited Psi, the latter part of Feb. to attend the Chi Psi Formal dance.

PHI—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

If a vote of every girl in Phi was taken as to what should, by rank of importance and immediate interest, be first mentioned in this letter, the unanimous result would read, loss of sophomore pledge for another year. We almost had it. Local Panhellenic waxed really excited about it, discovered that it was not only advisable in view of faculty sentiment, and possible as regards practicability, but probable, too, in the face of the sudden apparent conversion of

several formerly hostile fraternities. But one chapter was financially unable to meet the change next year; a week's delay was necessitated for discussion of this obstacle, and by the next meeting of Panhellenic, that surprising ardor had cooled, and again was adoption of the sophomore pledge dream defeated. Its downfall however carries one redeeming feature; those seniors who had thought that rushing season had received its last sad rites can still have the pleasure of returning in September for the usual thrills of a fall rush.

A less remote thrill is that of Junior week, beginning Wednesday. The Crew races and water acrobatics, which generally take place at Lake Lagunita, have had to be called off on account of the lack of rain this winter, which has left Lagunita little more than a conscience-stricken mud-puddle; but fire-works, games, and an Irish marathon have been substituted, and nothing but the outbreak of a violent epidemic could prevent the Prom, and the Opera *The Mojave maid*, written by a sophomore girl. In this play one of our own sophomores, Margaret Hanna, has the lead. In the only other dramatic attempt for this semester, the senior play, *Seven sisters*, our youngest Christmas freshman, Florence Stuart, is cast for the part of Liza.

As to other honors Margaret Hanna '15, was last month elected to the Young Women's Christian association cabinet. The honor societies do not elect until April. In April, too, we hold our District convention at Berkeley. Omega has written that she has enough girls living around the Bay to lodge their entire chapter over the week-end, so Phi may have the whole Omega chapter-house. With such hospitality in the air the Convention should prove as successful socially as fraternally.

As to recent social affairs, we have undergone (as I believe the freshman expressed it) a formal reception, and have had a tea for Miss Shepard, our house mother, and are planning for a vacation dance. Summer vacation will be coming next, so wishing our sister chapters the best possible time, we will say Good-bye until next fall.

Gladys W. Briggs

'06 Karoline Hammond is spending the week with us during the vacation of the San Diego high school.

'98 Winifred Fry Webster (Mrs D. H.) has a new, blue-eyed son, born in Dec. 1912.

'09-ex Jean Mead has been spending the winter in Los Angeles.

'06-ex Clara Smith Lawler (Mrs Norman) has returned to Mexico after a winter in Los Angeles.

'09-ex Jessie Gillmore Mathews (Mrs Bryant) is living temporarily in Stockton, Cal. where Mr Mathews is establishing a branch of his Los Angeles business. Address 736 El Dorado st. Jessie will visit Phi in May and spend the summer in the East.

'10 The wedding of Helen Green and Robert William Cross, California '09, will take place on the evening of May 9, 1913, at half after seven o'clock, First Congregational Church, Palo Alto, Calif.

CHI—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

On February 7 after chapter meeting Nu alumnae entertained us in honor of Founders'-day. Lola Searles Revels presented us with a copy of the *Incendo* by Raphael. Mabel Parker Stillwell, Marion Chappel Sykes, Leslie West, K. Grace O'hara, Alice Simons, and Clara Carson gave a beautiful picture of Amiens cathedral, while Sophie Steese sent a Chinese art pillow top on which was embroidered the dragon in gold. Chi's gift to the house was silver for the table.

Late in last month the active girls entertained the alumnae. Seven girls presented a vaudeville show which rivaled those in the city's theatres.

In the early part of February Esther Wright gave a dance for the freshmen at her home. Eunice Congdon and Rebecca Carter entertained the freshmen, sophomores and our new pledge, Irene Lewis '16, with a ride and a progressive dinner at their homes.

Saturday evening April 5 we are to hold our first formal dance in our new house. The thirty girls, who are going, anticipate an enjoyable time.

Ruth Audas is to be our convention delegate, while Florence White is to have charge of the choir. Several of the college girls and alumnae are looking forward to the meeting with the Thetas of other colleges.

Just before our Easter vacation Bishop Henderson of the Methodist Episcopal church with Miss Butler of the National Young Women's

Christian association board and Miss Corbett, Northeastern territorial secretary, held special meetings here for the purpose of increasing the religious interest among the college students. Professors were requested not to give any extra work or quizzes, and all social engagements were cancelled during that time.

On March 17 was held the annual Sophomore women's contest. Edith Wiles' interpretation of a scene from *The Taming of the shrew* won the second prize of fifteen dollars.

Pi Kappa Alpha has granted a charter to the local chapter of Zeta Rho.

29 March 1913

Mildred E. Baird

- '94-ex Frances May Gregory called at the house during the Easter vacation.
- '98 Born Feb. 1 to Mr and Mrs D. P. Markham (Lena Hoose) of Syracuse, a son, Frederick Hoose.
- '01 Olivia Pratt took lunch with us Saturday, Mar. 29.
- '08 Born to Mr and Mrs S. F. Dawson, Jr. (Edith Ackerman) a son, Harold Cleveland, Apr. 5, 1913. Address: Milton, N. H.
- '09 The engagement of Bricea Wright and Herbert Faus, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, has been announced.
- '12 Bessie Wands visited us for the week-end, Mar. 14-17.
- '12 Juna Belle Hix spent Sunday Mar. 30 with us.
- '13-ex Born at Earlville to Mr and Mrs Clyde Williamson (Gertrude White) a daughter on Mar. 26.
- '13 Ruth White has returned to college after a recent illness.
- '13 Josephine Buck visited Esther and Laura Ball during the Easter vacation.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

We have a new pledge to present to our sister chapters, Marie Hitchens of Waterloo, Iowa, who attended the Castle last year, and who, this semester, became a sophomore and thus eligible for pledging. If the present plans of Panhellenic are allowed by the faculty, as we are given reason to expect, and if they are carried out successfully, we at Wisconsin will pledge freshmen in May, with no formal rushing and with written bids. When, last year, the faculty decided upon sophomore initiation, the men decided to pledge late in the freshman year, and, after a strenuous four weeks period of rushing, they

pledged the week before Easter. The women agreed upon a sophomore pledge, but have since concluded that it would be better to pledge this spring. They have done no formal rushing. In February Panhellenic entertained all university women at a matinee dance but the individual chapters have been allowed no more than three rushees at any stunt and this rule has of course prevented ostentatious or elaborate rushing. Yet freshmen have been entertained at dinner, luncheon, tea, dancing; the stunts are becoming more and more frequent, and the freshmen more and more busy. The whole system is so new at the university that it is impossible to make it ideal, and many doubt whether it could ever be a satisfactory arrangement.

Outside the fraternities there are many activities among the students. Preparations are being made by the Women's athletic association for a comic opera; the men of the university are preparing to give the biennial circus; a light opera, *Orphan and the octopus*, is to be presented soon by the Haresfoot society; and plans are being made to make the Spring Festival more beautiful and more truly representative than ever before.

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Ada Pence

'01 Born to Mr and Mrs Earl Hunner (Blanche Clark) a daughter, Mar. 2, 1913. Address 2015 Waverly ave. Hunter's Park, Duluth, Minn.

'02 New address of Kittie Button Paines (Mrs J. D.) is 3834 N. Ridgeway ave. Chicago.

'03 Evelyn Johnson McFarland (Mrs J. G.) has been spending the winter in Pierre, S. D. where her husband is a member of the State legislature.

'04 Born to Mr and Mrs Edward Johnson (Ruth Stockman) a son, Jan. 28, 1913.

'93 Mrs. E. R. Stevens (Kate Sabin) entertained the Madison literary society at the chapter house on Mar. 10.

'00 Mary L. Strong of Dodgeville, who is teaching in Beloit, visited Blanche Brigham Harper (Mrs J. C.) in Madison, Mar. 28.

'06 Elise Dexter spent spring vacation at her home in Madison. She is now teaching in Belmont.

'08 Florence Brown Batcheler (Mrs L. D.) of Logan, Utah, recently had an operation for appendicitis.

'09 Born to Mr and Mrs W. W. Davidson (Marga Eyland) on Mar. 16, a son, William Ward, jr.

'10 Ethel Rose Taylor was in Madison for several days following Mar. 7.

'10 We are expecting Edna Hughes Bryant (Mrs Harvey) for our annual banquet in June.

'10 Anne Shepard of New Rochelle, N. Y. visited the chapter in Feb. for a few days.

'11 Hester Harper, who is teaching in DePere was at home in Madison for her spring vacation the last week in Mar.

'12 Olive Simpson, of Shullsburg, is to visit Psi the first week in Apr.

'12 Leila Peacock of Oconomowoc was in Madison the week-end of Mar. 1.

'12 Edith Moore who is teaching in De Forest spent the spring vacation in Madison.

'14 Agnes M. Hall has been elected president of the Y. W. C. A.

'14 Ernestine Chase went home with Agnes Hall to Elgin, Ill. for the spring vacation; Margaret Stevens '14 went home with Julia Doe of Milwaukee; only a few of the chapter remained in Madison.

'15-ex Hilda Mingle of Daleville, Ind. visited at the house the week-end of Mar. 7.

We were glad to have a visit from Catherine Bright, Upsilon, at the time of the Chi Psi formal, even though she was here for such a short time.

Miss Ruth Coonley of Chicago was a guest of Josephine Glidden '14 at the chapter house in Mar.

The girls have been so glad to renew acquaintance with parents of some of the girls: Mr Clausen of Washburn, Mr Clayton of Monroe, and Mrs Rettger of Terre Haute. Mrs Rettger came to Wis. to see the repetition in Milwaukee of *Der Arme Heinreich* in which Winifred had the leading role.

Psi is the proud possessor of a new tea curate, a gift from Hester Jacobs '11 and Hester Harper '11 who are teaching in DePere.

Alpha Gamma alumnae are planning a joint picnic with Psi for early in May.

Mrs. U. W. Moore and Miss Helen Kellogg have kindly offered to entertain the active chapter in rushing.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

The spring term is in full swing and with the short time remaining before examinations, studies and campus activities are assuming great aspects.

Rehearsals for the Parthenia are going on daily. Dorothy Rieber '15 has a solo dancing part, and Clotilde Grunsky '14, will speak the prelude. Nearly all the girls are in the various choruses. The faculty glade in which the Masque is to be given is enlivened daily by gracefully dancing groups or slowly walking maidens.

The seniors are preparing for their last wild fling in the Extra-

vaganza and all our 1913 girls are signed up either for choruses or tryouts for the leads.

Carolyn Waite '13 took the leading part in the production of *The fortune hunter* given under the auspices of the Mask and dagger society.

At a very enthusiastic mass meeting members of the basketball squad were named to play against representatives from Nevada university. The game itself proved very exciting and our girls were victorious.

Tennis next occupies the interest of the women students. We play the University of Southern California on March 29. Constance Davis '13, is managing the team and will also play, as will Harriet Judd '13. In April we also play the Stanford university team.

Leslie Wilde '15 is running for treasurer of the Associated women students of whom Harriet Judd '13 is president.

Much to our joy Clotilde Grunsky '14 has been recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

On April 18 and 19, District convention will be held here. After the business meeting a supper will be served. Fraternity subjects which will prove of interest to the convention will be discussed. April 19 is a busy day. In the morning comes women's tennis with Stanford—as well as rowing between the men. In the afternoon is the track meet between the two universities which is sure to be very exciting.

A strenuous campaign is being made by the various classes for the Scholarship fund. A large bulletin board has been erected at the house and on it are tacked most ingenious signs. Shampooing, shoe shining and hand reading vie with notices of excellent laundry work, coaching and lessons in playing the ukalalee: also for ten cents one may rent anything from a ball gown to a collar button.

Preparations are being made for our reception on April 1. This event is being eagerly anticipated, especially by the freshmen and Christmas pledges, as it is their formal introduction to the College public.

The freshman-senior dinner in the first week of May marks the close of our very own festivities. It is then that the seniors are bidden

farewell, new officers are installed, and—let me whisper it—engagements are announced!

And then—Convention! Some are going, others hope to go, but whether we go or not we know that this will be a most splendid and helpful gathering and—we hope to greet you in 1915 in our city by the Golden gate.

27 March 1913

Constance Davis

'92 Agnes Crary Weaver (Mrs Philip) a charter member, is building a new home in Honolulu.

'94 and '95 Annie and Henrietta Brewer are in Calcutta.

'09 Mary Maxwell Newmark (Mrs M.) is living at 2604 channing Way.

'00 Lalla Harris has returned to London to live after having visited in Berkeley.

'01 Isabel Godin Anderson (Mrs L.) has moved to California from the east.

'12 Katherine McElrath and James Black X Φ '12, were married on Mar. 24.

'12 Martha Earle and Donald Graeme '12 will be married May 16.

'11-ex Bernice Bronson and Roy Butler '12, X Φ, were married Feb. 20.

'12 Ruth Slack and Edgar Zook, Z Ψ, will be married Apr. 23.

'12 Helen Runyon has announced her engagement to Amos Elliott '12, K Σ.

'12 Eleanor Baldwin and Sterry Lamson, K Σ, were married Feb. 28, and will live in Berkeley.

'13-ex Margaret Powell visited us for a short time in Mar.

'13 Harriet Judd has announced her engagement to Paul Eliel '13 Δ Τ. After their marriage in July they will reside in Germany.

ALPHA BETA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

On the whole the year has been a happy one for us. Katherine Lindsay, Alpha Beta district's president, paid us a two-day visit and quite won all our hearts—not to mention giving us much good advice. Catherine Williams was taken into Pi Sigma Chi, the women's honorary senior society and at the annual meeting in the middle of March Eleanore Lewis and Constance Ball were elected to membership. We have also derived a great deal of satisfaction from closer connection with Theta alumnae in Philadelphia. Each month we send a delegate to take a report of our doings to the alumnae meeting and to bring back what messages they have for us.

Now the best thing of all has happened, for the Dean of women is trying to bring the fraternities to try late sophomore pledge day, which has been our vanishing ideal for years.

This year Somerville day, "the day when everybody comes back" is April 12, and already rehearsals for the play are in full swing. The play, Euripedes' *Alcestis*, promises to be lovely with its soft colored costumes and swelling choruses.

The basketball season was very successful, and we are hoping as much for baseball. Our lacrosse team ought to be a championship winner now that Coach Whitehead has returned. In the series of debates of the Pennsylvania intercollegiate league we won second place, and first in the intercollegiate oratorical contest held here March 15.

A Young Women's Christian association conference met her at the end of February, bringing Dorothy Davis and Helen Frisch, Goucher Thetas' as delegates. Two of our public speaking majors have given their junior recitals, Constance Ball reading the *Mill on the floss* and Bretta Crapster reading *Madame Butterfly*.

29 March 1913

Marjorie T. Caldwell

'98 Mr and Mrs H. C. Johnson (Edith Lamb) announce the birth of a son, George K. 3d.

'03 Mr and Mrs R. E. Lamb (Elizabeth Booth) announce the birth of a daughter, Anna Roberts.

'04 Nannie Hawks sails in May for Italy expecting to spend the summer abroad.

'04 We wish to express to Millo McCain Kehew (Mrs Everet) our sincere sympathy in the loss of her little girl.

'06 Emily Hill is holding an important position as assistant librarian at Mountclair, N. J.

'06 Mary Cranston Hodges (Mrs Thomas) has moved from Newcastle, Pa. to Keokuk, Iowa.

'07 Mr and Mrs Arthur Chenoweth, (Mary North) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary North.

'07 Margery Mathews has been visiting in Philadelphia this spring, and was one of the alumnae to attend the annual Theta dance given by Alpha Beta at Hamilton court. Other alumnae present were: Mary Janney '06, Dorothy Lister '08, Katherine Wolff '08, Ellie Simons Bassett, ex-'10, Therese Spackman '11, Mary Osgood '12, Amy Baker '12, and Mildred Hoadley '12. This is Mildred Hoadley's second visit to college this year.

'08 Katharine Wolff has recently returned from a visit to her sister Anna Wolff Miller (Mrs Stanley) in Boston, Mass.

'09 Helen Underhill started for a trip to Honolulu the last of Mar.

'09 Caroline Atkinson Alford (Mrs Newell) paid a visit to Philadelphia this winter, spending her time with several Thetas.

'10 Beulah Green has been visiting in Baltimore for several weeks.

'10 Priscilla Goodwyn was married on April 9, 1913, to Frank Griffin, K Σ, Swarthmore '10. Anna Griscom '10, Irvana Wood '10, Amy Baker '12 and Mary Osgood '12, acting as bridesmaids for her. All four Thetas are expecting to visit Caroline Atkinson Alford (Mrs Newell) '09 at her home in Kentucky, on their way back from Ala.

'11-ex Dorothea Carter has announced her engagement to Roger Davis of Montclair, N. J.

'11-ex Gertrude Hoopes McCarthy (Mrs Walter) has changed her address to No. 1 Berkshire Apartments, Duluth, Minn.

'11 Therese D. Spackman sails May 10 for a five months European trip.

'12-ex Vernon Waddell Bassett, (Mrs Arthur) announces the birth of a daughter, May Virginia.

'12-ex Alice Masten Beecher, (Mrs Henry) is now living at 1130 Olney st. Indianapolis, Ind.

'13 Mildred Hoadley has come all the way from Massachusetts to visit us and go to the dance on March 31.

'14 Marjorie Gideon has left college for the rest of this year because of ill health. She is staying with her mother at the Devonshire, Atlantic City, N. J.

ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Studies and college activities in general have been laid aside during the past week at Ohio State because of the flood which destroyed a part of Columbus and proved disastrous to many other towns in Ohio. Students who went home for spring vacation were unable to return on account of delayed trains, while others played important parts as rescuers and relief workers. Added to this, several cases of smallpox broke out in the city and as a result all the university students are to be vaccinated before returning to college.

Since our last letter we have gone through the anxieties and excitement of pledge day and as a result we pledged Helen Patton, Helen Michel, and Helene Patton all of whom live in Columbus.

We held initiation March 15, at the home of Marie Schwartz and were delighted to have thirty alumnae with us.

Phi Mu is the eighth national women's fraternity to enter Ohio State. It was installed March 21.

The annual Co-ed Prom took place March 8, in the Armory. Six hundred women students, alumnae and members of the faculty appeared in fancy costume.

The Strollers will present the *Clean-up*, a comedy by C. B. Robbins under whose direction the play will be produced April 4 and 5. Rivé King Bowman has the leading part; Hazel Shook is also in the cast.

The anti-fraternity bill has been practically killed. It has been laid aside indefinitely and from all reports there is little to fear.

Browning literary society will present *As you like it* this year. The play will be given in a picturesque spot on the campus, the natural scenery of which is well adapted for an affair of this kind. Rivé King Bowman and Helen Patton, one of our freshmen, have parts.

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Ruth Sigrist

'01 Born to Mr and Mrs W. J. Sears (Jessie Carpenter) a son. Address: 1028 Dennison ave. Columbus, O.

'03-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Ralph Nye (Meta Klie) of Cleveland, O. a son.

'11-ex Marie Schwartz has announced her engagement to Herbert Booth, B Θ ΙΙ. The wedding will take place in June.

'12 Ada May has been visiting her sister Mary May Eckley in Dayton, O.

'13-ex Mabel Moore and Lawrence Taft, B Θ ΙΙ, were married Feb. 8. Address; 163 Woodland ave. Columbus, O.

'13-ex Gretchen France has just returned from Florida.

'13-ex Marion McAllister leaves in May for a trip through France and England.

'14 Lulu Thomas and Ruth Sigrist will spend the next five months in Europe.

'10-ex Jane Huntington Bone (Mrs Hugh) recently spent a week with her father in Cleveland, Ohio.

'12-ex Vesta Stephen Beam (Mrs C. E.) of Moundsville, West Virginia, spent Easter week with her parents in Columbus.

'12-ex Mary May Eckley (Mrs Fred), who lives in Dayton, Ohio, spent two weeks in Columbus a short time ago with her mother and sister.

'98 Grace Vance Rider (Mrs W. M.) will spend the summer abroad, where Professor Rider expects to study in Germany and Norway.

ALPHA DELTA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

It seems the perversity of fate that the last two hundred thousand of the million dollars upon which rest the very existence of Goucher should have been coquetting with us for the past six months. However, one last desperate effort is now being made to secure this deficiency.

To raise money for this fund, the class of 1912 has just held a Yeer Mart, at which a great accumulation of donations—groceries, cake, flowers, candy, fancy articles, et cetera were sold. The side shows were a popular feature, for it was a novel experience to see our respected alumnae performing Jumping-Jack dances—cf. Emily Dunbar, '08; to look upon our Swedish gym teachers garbed in peasant costume and executing their strange native dances; and to hear the Hopkins quartette singing *At the Devil's ball* in our very midst. Ernestine Dulaney, president 1912, managed the Yeer Mart so successfully that eight hundred dollars was cleared.

The young business men of Baltimore have also taken upon themselves the responsibility of raising the \$200,000. They have formed themselves into committees, at the head of two of which are Theta husbands, Harry Ewalt and Rob Smith. All the well-to-do citizens of Baltimore are being canvassed by them; large red signs "\$200,000 will save Goucher for Baltimore" decorate the fronts of all the street cars; and mass meetings have been held, one of which was addressed by Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, an alumnae of Goucher. A splendid concert is now being planned.

Senior dramatics was an unprecedented success this year, if we can believe the comments of the enthusiastic alumnae who witnessed it! 1913 produced Percy Mackaye's *Jeanne d'Arc*; and Frances Clarke seemed predestined for the role of the religious, single-minded maid, while Marjorie Day, as d'Alençon, her lover, showed also an unexpected degree of dramatic talent. Three other Thetas took minor parts.

Sophomore pledging has proved so benificent to college life this year that I think it will never again be abandoned. There really has been no rushing; it is true, parties and entertainments of various sorts have been given, but all in a very sane, natural way. One of

our city sophomores, Helen Frisch, now has two very desirable freshmen with her during the spring holiday; other fraternity girls in the city are doing the same thing; but we all entertain each other's guests without the slightest degree of embarrassment.

In February, Alpha Delta gave a musicale at the home of Esther Donnelly Smith, Psi '02. Our program was furnished entirely by friends; a Theta sister, Evalyn Payne, sang for us; a friend gave some readings; and the hit of the evening was Sam Thomsen—the husband of Adelaide Porter Thomsen, '08—with his darky songs. The presence of a large number of Phi alumnae added dignity to the occasion.

The next two months will be very full of commencement gaieties for Alpha Delta's eight seniors; then with the close of college comes our eleventh house-party down on the Eastern shore. After that, the near-by Thetas will entertain their sisters who live at a great distance and then the whole chapter with few exceptions, together with many Alpha Delta alumnae, will meet you all at convention.

28 March 1913

Dorothy Davis

'97-'00 Millie Sarles Payne (Mrs Luther) and Carrie Lowell Sarles (Mrs Hobart) will entertain some of their Theta class-mates after convention, at their homes in Liberty, N. Y.

'00-'04 Caroline and Mabel Golding visited Ethel Elmer in Feb. They were entertained informally at a tea by the college chapter.

'02 Mary Boss, of Pittsburgh, expects to attend convention.

'02-'05 Minnette Miller, will visit her sister, Nell Miller (Mrs Sidney R.) '02-'05, at her home in Windsor Hills, Baltimore, in June.

'03-'07 Ruth Haslup and Christie Dulaney have been elected alumnae advisers of Alpha Delta.

'04-'05 Born to Mr and Mrs M. L. Neely (Vera McCabe) in Jan. a daughter, Nancy Lee.

'08 The name of the new little son of Adelaide Porter Thomsen has been changed from Samuel Thomsen, jr. to Richard Porter Thomsen.

'09 Emma Gregg is teaching history in the Atlanta high school.

'11 Adele Hopkins was in Baltimore for the second performance of Senior dramatics, Feb. 8.

'11 Ruth Taylor is teaching physics at the Western high school, Baltimore.

'11 Alice Ward is in Rochester, N. Y. training in Y. W. C. A. work.

'11 Grace Bennett is spending Easter with her sister, Alice Bennett Pollard (Mrs Wm. P.) '02, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

'11 Allegra Covey expects to be in Baltimore for commencement events, and while here, will visit Grace Bennett, Ruth Taylor and Ernestine Dulaney.

'12 Eleanor Hopkins, who is physics laboratory assistant at Goucher, spent part of her spring vacation at Virginia Beach, Va.

'12-ex Winifred Kavanaugh was married to Dr. H. G. Krause, on Mar. 5, in London, Eng. Dr and Mrs Krause will live in Berlin, Germ.

'02-ex Laura Gary, of Wheaton, Ill. spend some time at Easter with Allegra Covey, at her new home in Macon, Miss.

'12-ex At the wedding of Margaret Gutelius to Dr E. C. Town, in Jan. at Mifflinburg, Pa. Emily Dunbar, '08, and Katherine Lindsay, '09, were bridesmaids.

'13 Marjorie Day, while visiting in Rochester, N. Y. during spring vacation was entertained at luncheon by Alice Ward '11 and Norma Wood '15-ex.

'13 Frances Clarke of Atlanta, Ga. is spending spring vacation in Baltimore, visiting Ruth Taylor '11, Mary Hoffman '15, and Emma Lou Dulaney '13.

'13 Anna Payne will entertain at her home in Liberty, N. Y. before convention, Allegro Covey '13, Elinor Annan '14, and Helen Frisch '15. After convention she will have a house-party for the eight Alpha Delta seniors.

'13-'14 Dorothy Davis and Blanche Ross attended the Maryland student volunteer conference at Frederick, Md. Jan. 31-Feb. 3.

'13-'15 Dorothy Davis and Helen Frisch were Goucher delegates to the Y. W. C. A. vocational conference at Swarthmore college, Feb. 28-Mar. 3. Their stay at Swarthmore was made unusually pleasant by the cordiality shown them by Alpha Beta.

'14 Elinor Annan has been elected Y. W. C. A. treasurer for the year 1913-1914. Elinor's father has just bought a farm at Cambridge, Md. and in June she will entertain there Allegra Covey '11, Anna Payne '13, and Helen Frisch '15.

'15 Louise Pennington has been forced this second semester to leave college on account of her health.

'15-ex Bertha Bland re-entered college at the second semester.

'15 Mary Hoffman has been elected by Alpha Delta as delegate to convention.

'15 Frances Page is spending the spring vacation in Clarksburg, W. Va. where she is being entertained by the three resident Thetas.

Alpha Delta has been happy in having in her midst Beulah Green, Alpha Beta '10, who has been spending a month with her aunt, Mrs Froelicher, the wife of the head of the German department.

In the Suffrage parade in Washington on Mar. 3, Marjorie Day, Frances Clarke, Dorothy Davis '13, and Alice Watson '15 marched in the college section which was headed by Dean Lord of Goucher.

ALPHA ZETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

The question of the abolition of fraternities seems to have spread over the whole country. We sympathized with our sister chapters that have had their charters endangered. But now the matter has come home to us even more strongly. There is considerable agitation at Barnard. An investigation committee has been looking into the value of fraternities, and, although each chapter is doing its best to meet this investigation worthily, we are told that we have cause for much fear.

Alpha Zeta celebrated Founders' day on February 8 by a luncheon at the Hotel Marie Antoinette. We met there many of Gamma alumnae and the active members of Alpha Kappa. Mrs. Eichrodt was toastmistress and the speeches were very timely.

On February 11, we had an evening meeting at the home of Virginia Pulleyn. Then on St. Valentine's day, we had the second "Short and Early" of this year. Appropriate dance programmes and two favor dances helped to make this dance one of the most attractive.

Two parties—one for the Odd fellows and one for the Evens—were given by alumnae in February, and we were glad to see some of our alumnae back for them. Then came freshman show on March 7. Of course, many Thetas were present to enjoy the show—which was really very good—and to get a glimpse of the freshmen of dramatic ability.

On March 28, our alumnae gave a party to the active chapter. We spent a delightful afternoon singing Theta songs and winning prizes. During refreshments, Agnes Denike made a little speech and, on behalf of the alumnae, presented us with a beautiful archive chest and the bound volumes of the JOURNAL. We appreciate this gift very much.

Now we are looking forward to having tea with Alpha Kappa at Adelphi, and to a visit from Miss Green.

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Edith L. Fischer

'04 Romola Lyons Keeler (Mr F. Y.) has just returned from a visit to Miami, Florida.

'04 Born, to Marjorie Bacon Nicholas (Mrs Clayton) a son.

'08 Cornelia Flack has just returned from a month's visits to Elmira and Lake Placid.

'12 On May 3, Emma L. Rapelye will be married to A. A. Somerville, at the home of her aunt in Roseville. Her bridesmaids are to be Bettie Junghaus, Nathalie Armstrong and Edith Thomas.

'13 Nancy Beall entertained the chapter at luncheon at her home in Bronxville on Easter Monday. We all had a glorious afternoon and only regretted train time.

Gladys Fugette and Ethel Shaw expect to spend the summer traveling in Europe.

'13 Nancy Beall will sail for Europe by the S. S. Moltke on April 19. She expects to finish her course next year.

On March 13, we had a social meeting at the home of Luisa Ros. The active members wore costumes which caused considerable fun. An old-fashioned salamagundi was enjoyed, and then Florence Lowther gave a very clever little skit.

'15 Virginia Pulleyn will sail on July 1, to spend the summer motoring in France.

'15 Owing to ill-health, Vera Hotson has been unable to be with us this term, but we hope to have her back next year.

ALPHA ETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Once more it is April and we are planning for the spring holidays which are so near. Those who do not live near enough to go home are going on a house-party to Ridgetop. Mrs. Slemmons, mother of Francis Slemmons, is going and we are to stay in her summer home. We are sure of a great time in the woods.

There have been very few things going on this month. On March 14, we gave a tea for the mothers of our town girls and other friends. We have adopted the plan of having a tea, or, in reality, a reception, once a month instead of luncheon every two weeks. Four girls are hostesses and they plan the affair and invite the guests. We enjoyed the first one this month. The dining room was decorated in wistarias; in the reception room cherry blossoms were used, great branches of them. We made the flowers ourselves—and it was a great help too, for there are so few flowers in March.

The basketball season is almost over, and Vanderbilt's athletic record has not been broken, at least not by the women's teams. We have won every game so far and the last game we played the

score was 62 to 7. Even the scrubs distinguished themselves and are sure of getting on the first team next year.

We were very glad to have with us for a few hours Arline Webster of Upsilon. She was on her way home from Cuba. We seldom see Thetas from any where else, and we were so glad to know her.

Everyone is planning and hoping to go to convention. We hope a number of Alpha Etas will be there in June, when we will see all of you.

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Mary Jo Harwell

- '06 Married Clara Smith and O. J. Hoffman at Martin Tenn. in Feb.
- '06 Maria Mason has been in Nashville lately to see specialists. She has been ill for some time but is improving.
- '07 Annie Mason Tuttle who spent the winter in Biloxi, Miss. has returned to her home in Springfield, Ohio.
- '02 Madge Cannon Smith has recently lost her mother. We sympathize deeply with her in her sorrow.
- '04 Roberta Dubose is in Columbus, Miss. at a Y. W. C. A. convention.
- '06 Ruth Taylor is visiting her brother in Washington, D. C.
- '08 Alice Clark Beech is in Winchester visiting her relatives.
- '08 Elizabeth Young Coppedge is in Memphis with her relatives.
- '11 Rose Tate was in Nashville Mar. 23.
- '11 Louise Young of Memphis, Tenn. will be with us on the house-party Apr. 3-5.
- '16 Roberta Dillon returns from Florida on Apr. 2.

ALPHA THETA—TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

The winter term is a period of great social importance in the calendar of the butterflies of Alpha Theta. Three of the big dances were led by our girls: Anne Thornton led the Rattlers; Nell Hau-niman, the Freshman reception; and Florence Brownlee, the Academic reception.

On March 17 we unwittingly celebrated the day of the Patron Saint of Ireland by putting the kite on Elizabeth Hawkins.

We were very sorry to have one of our freshmen return home. Allie Hall will, however, be with us again next year.

With the spring term comes the literary society bids: Helen Lid-stone and Ethel Allen will be members of Ashbel.

The annual pageant will occur on Mayday. All the girls of the

freshman and sophomore classes will take part. There will be a May Queen and her court, several May pole dances and innumerable fancy dances in costume. It will be held on the campus at twilight.

Now that warm weather and the blue bonnets have come, the girls are planning camps. A camp is the ideal way to have a good time, so says Alpha Theta. Canoeing and swimming are only two of the many joys of camp life in Austin.

The chapter will entertain with a tea on the afternoon of April 1 in honor of Helen Johnson whose marriage to Ross Irwin will take place April 5.

The anti-fraternity bill died in the hands of the committee and never reached the legislature. The anti-fraternity feeling is still running high however among a number of the students.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity entertained with a very delightful dance on March twenty-first.

Alice Otis Bird

- '09 Leida Nash was married in Feb. to Sam Williams of Shreveport, La.
- '09 Linda Spence was married Mar. 25 to E. P. Brown.
- '09 Kate Flack will be married June 25 to William Ellis.

ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

With the awakening of spring has come to the women of Washington university the realization that May Day will be here only too quickly, preparations for which must soon begin. The May Day celebration is given by the residents of McMillan hall (women's dormitory) and all members of fraternities which maintain rooms there. We chose for our celebration this year a pageant of spring, the plan of which is as follows:

The personification of Winter appears and is driven off by Spring entering with a company of clouds and sunshine. Wind and Rain attempt to conquer her but are finally defeated. A golden butterfly and children will represent Spring at its height.

The judges have already selected the cast for the main roles in the pageant. Rita Monteath will be Spring and four other Thetas have leading parts, while the rest of us will take part either in the numer-

ous dances of the pageant or in the Map-pole dance. In order to meet the expenses for May Day, the girls of McMillan will give a vaudeville show, on April 12. The three fraternities and the non-fraternity girls of the house are each to have half an hour for their part of the program. Alpha Iota is planning a minstrel show for this.

On March 15, Sigma alumnae presented *The worsted man*, as a benefit for the Scholarship fund. The play was a great success not only dramatically and socially but also from a financial standpoint, the proceeds amounting to at least fifty dollars.

Thrysus, the dramatic club of Washington university, will present as its annual performance, Midlinger's *The world and his wife*, on April 9. Rita Monteath will play one of the two women's roles.

As a result of a two weeks' rush at the beginning of this semester, Alpha Iota pledged Edith Row. Edith is now our only pledge since everyone of our fifteen freshman and our two sophomore pledges succeeded in attaining the scholarship requirement for initiation into a fraternity, and were initiated on February 15. The scholarship record of Alpha Iota as a whole, for the first semester of this year, was remarkably splendid. There were no conditions and an unusual number of excellent reports.

Two especially delightful Theta parties during March were, a house warming given by Frances Dawson Rhodes, in her new bungalow in Webster, Missouri, and a charming "500" party at the home of Harriet Newman. It is with the greatest expectations and unbounded enthusiasm that many of us are planning to attend Convention. To those unfortunates whom we will not meet at Convention we send our heartiest wishes for the best of summer vacations. To our more fortunate Theta sisters we bid "God Speed" till June 24.

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Emma Thuener

¹² Frances Clayton is visiting in Denver.

¹⁰ Mary Glasgow's engagement to Leland Chivis, Σ A E, has been announced.

^{12-ex} Airie Jones has returned from Panama.

^{13-ex} Dorothy Hopkins is engaged to be married to Arthur Courtney.

Grace Nash, Alpha Theta, visited Julia Brooks the last week of Mar.

Alpha Iota deeply sympathizes with Eva Morrison who lately lost her father and with Carrie Noël Scott, whose mother died Mar. 9.

ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE

All the main events of the college year are over and our efforts are now to bring the year to a successful close. The Athletic banquet and dance have been held, which always follow the annual sophomore freshman basketball game; to the great disappointment of the sophomores, the freshmen won the game; the first time a freshman class has won in six years. After the banquet, Marguerite Haver and Marion Kramer were two of the five girls who were presented with loving-cups for championship in basketball. Marguerite Haver was one of the speakers at this banquet.

The senior play, *The mysterious freshman* has been given, in which Dorothy Andrews and Marguerite Haver took part and which proved most successful. On Saturday, March 29, Adelphi college gave the largest affair it has ever attempted in interest of the endowment fund. The entire building was open to visitors and formal receptions held in the library, study-hall, normal, and kindergarten rooms. Up-stairs in the Chapel speeches were made in interest of the fund by various gentlemen, among whom were Doctor Cadman, our acting president and Doctor Coar, who is the chairman of the fund committee. The speeches were followed by two short sketches given by the junior and freshman classes, and the senior and sophomore classes. We closed the entertainment by giving our cheers and singing Adelphi college songs.

Alpha Kappa has had two very delightful teas, at the homes of Marguerite Haver and Estelle Laux, where we were happy to have with us many alumnae and Miss Titus, our former District president.

We have welcomed back during the past week, Laura Hauguard and Evelyn Thompson who are home from Smith college, to spend their vacation.

Alpha Kappa is planning for and looking eagerly forward to Convention, to which she expects to send a large delegation.

1 April 1913

Marguerite Behman.

'09-ex Edna Stoughton Conover (Mrs Hugh) is now living in Steubenville, Ohio.

'10-ex Anna Bullwinkle Penfield (Mrs Harold) is living in Bucyrus, Ohio.

'09-ex Marjorie Commiskey Grant (Mrs Walter) has returned to San Antonio where Captain Grant of the third cavalry is stationed.

'11 Marion Sukeforth Can (Mrs C. C.) is now living in Empire, C. Z.

On Mar. 18, a son was born to Estelle Conselyea Maxwell (Mrs J. H.).

'07 Edna Reilley has announced her engagement to John Schoener.

'09 Genevieve Beavers has announced her engagement to William Earle.

'12 Marguerite Sutphin has just returned from a visit to Evelyn Thompson and Laura Haugard at Smith college.

ALPHA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

On April 19 we shall be very glad to present to all Thetas a new sister, Mabel Remsberg, who is to be initiated on that day.

Spring at the University of Washington brings with it a revival of social life, and we find ourselves in the midst of a series of plays, dances and out-of-door athletic contests. It is about this time that every student feels that canoeing on our beautiful lake is one of the important factors in college life. Regatta day is approaching; so is the Junior prom, and Bess Smith, who is on the committee, has dropped several alluringly mysterious hints which assure us that it will be an especially lovely affair. We are busy making preparation for our own formal which comes soon.

Our college Dramatic club has brought the Ben Greet players to our campus; and the club members will themselves produce *The dawn of a tomorrow* in which the principal rôle of "Glad" will be played by Jessie Lewis. With her entrance into theatricals Jessie has completed a round of activities including debate, athletics, journalism, dramatics, and class organization. We are very proud of her.

We send best wishes to everyone for a happy summer vacation.

15 April 1913

Elgine Warren

Born to Mr and Mrs H. B. Jones (Beulah Smith) twin sons, Jan. 15. One son lived but a few days.

ALPHA MU—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

A great many matters of fraternity interest have come up since the last Journal letter; among them a pledging, an initiation, an affiliation, and a chapter banquet.

The new pledge is Margaret Mumford, who entered college second semester. Initiation took place on February 19, and our seven pledges, all of whom had received their fifteen hours credit, were initiated. Only a few days previous we affiliated Peach Rogers, who has come to us from Alpha Omicron. These additions bring our chapter membership to an even twenty.

Our birthday banquet was held on February 12, at the Virginia Grill. Rosalee Dulaney was toast-mistress, and toasts were given by Olive Koken, Helen Lowry, and Temple Kean. The menus and place cards were the work of Frances Bennett and Margaret Carrington. Several alumnae were present on this occasion, namely; Pearl Pinkel, Anna Ruby Dillard, and Caroline Tull Schumaker. We were also glad to have Anny Barck, of Alpha Iota, with us at the time. Fan Mason and Ruby Ritchie Sharp sent us a lovely silver salad fork as a birthday gift.

The alumnae letter is being prepared, and will be sent out sometime before May 1. Chain day will be May 14, and we hope that all the alumnae will have answered by that time.

The Quadrangle club has begun rehearsals for *The hundred dollar bill*, which will be given sometime this month. The Thetas in the cast are Christine Spencer, Helen Lowry, Lavinia Peters, and Claudine Gossett.

The chapter has started a series of matinee dances for the different fraternities, given every other Saturday at Columbia hall. Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Delta Tau Delta have already been entertained.

There is a movement on foot at Missouri to arrange the annual department stunts according to a different plan this year. The week before examinations will be set aside as "Stunt Week," and all departments will participate, each on its appointed day. In this case, our annual Mothers' house party, which is usually held in May, will be postponed until Stunt Week.

Alpha Mu is also pleased to announce a most charming new patroness, Mrs. C. K. Burdick. She accepted our invitation on March 21.

The system of Panhellenic dinners has been started at Missouri, whereby each fraternity chapter entertains two members of another

chapter at dinner on Tuesday evening. The plan is a good one, and we thoroughly enjoy the more intimate contact with the other girls.

The Ad club Carnival will be held Friday, April 4, when the interesting election of Carnival Queen will be decided. Our candidate, Lura Grigsby, is ahead in the voting thus far, and we hope she will win in the final vote. The lucky candidate is accorded the honor of leading the Junior Prom, April 24.

29 March 1913

Temple Kean

Alpha Mu's new initiates are: Claudine Gossett, Helen Lowry, Frances Dulaney, Lavinia Peters, Ruth Hoge, Edna Barck, and Christine Spencer. Kathryn Buchheit was initiated between semesters. She was compelled to leave school on account of her health, but expects to return in the fall.

'10 Born to Mr and Mrs V. J. Chapman (Mae Wonsettler), a daughter.

'15-ex Marjorie MacArthur will be married to Robert Edward Ball, jr. Σ N, on April 8, in Jacksonville, Ill. The five-pound box of candy was received during the Easter vacation.

'14-ex Kathryn Gentry is studying library work in Kansas City.

'15 Margaret Carrington has been chosen as our delegate to convention. We hope to send a large representation this year.

'11 Bess Phillipps was a recent visitor at the chapter house.

'09 Nell Farley Welsh has been chosen as the chapter's alumnae adviser, to succeed Fan Mason.

ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

College life has just begun to be really awake again, as a result of the spring sunshine. For some months past, we have been grinding earnestly in an endeavor to improve our scholarship record of last semester, although at that time, Theta had six, Kappa Kappa Gamma five, and Delta Gamma four members on the Honor Roll. We were delighted to have Esther Birely '14 invited to join Penetralia, Montana's honor society for women.

Grace Saner, of Butte, Montana, who did not return to college last fall, has been with us again since Christmas. The chapter is very happy to have her back.

We, of Alpha Nu, enjoyed, during March, a delightful visit of several days from our District president, Mrs. Quigley. She was a great inspiration to all of us in various fraternity matters and brought

much interesting news from other western chapters. During her stay, she was guest of honor at a charming bridge party given by Mrs. Gilbert Reinhard (Ethel Orvis, Tau) and at a St. Patrick's day tea given in our suite.

Initiation was held on February 26 for our five latest pledges, in whose honor an elaborate banquet was served at the Palace Hotel at nine o'clock.

The Dramatic club of the university presents Bernard Shaw's *You never can tell* on April 25. We are proud to have Stella Duncan and Diana Uline in two of the leading roles. Grace Saner has the leading part of an Irish play to be given April 18.

On March 1 in honor of the legislative appropriation of 1913 to the university, the students awarded themselves a holiday. Classes were suspended at 8:30, not even the "grinds" being permitted to go to their class rooms. After dancing for an hour in the gym, the student body was taken, in chartered street cars, all over the city, ten miles up the Blackfoot, and out to Fort Missoula. A movie was given over to the college people for the afternoon, and some highly amusing and very impromptu theatricals were presented, to liven up the ordinary program. The day ended with a formal dance in the gymnasium.

We are all excited now over spring athletics and are looking forward eagerly to our track meet with Pullman, May 6, the big May-day carnival, Interscholastic track, and Commencement.

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'12 Annabelle Robertson spent the week-end in Missoula, Apr. 4, to attend the Michigan Glee concert, and the Theta senior party, Apr. 5.

'10 Born December to Lieut and Mrs Homer Slaughter (Ismal Idell) a son, John Idell Slaughter. Lieutenant Slaughter's regiment has been recently transferred from Ft. Missoula to Ft. George Wright, Washington. Their present address is at that place.

'10 Mrs William Keeley (Lillian Williams) of Deer Lodge was a guest of the chapter in their suite at Craig hall for several days in February.

'10 Miss Gladys McLean, who is teaching in Anaconda, Mont. visited us during the week-end Feb. 7 to 11. Several pretty affairs were given in compliment to her and to Mrs Kelley.

'11 Lucile Marshall spent the holidays in Missoula. During Christmas

week Miss Marshall and Miss Whipple '12 were honor guests at a Theta slumber party.

'11 Annabelle Robertson spent Saturday, Jan. 25 in Missoula.

'11 Gertrude Whipple visited for a week in Missoula during the holidays.

'12 Grace Uline, who has been with her sister, Diana, in Craig hall for the past month left Feb. 9 for her home in South Dakota.

'14-ex Grace Saner, of Butte, Mont. is again registered in the university.

ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Founder's-day at Alpha Xi proved to be the most delightful in her history. The program was opened by some serious talks on Kappa Alpha Theta. Mrs. Busch, Delta, spoke to us on her impressions of the Western Thetas. In the evening, after the banquet, some of the girls surprised us with a clever comedy sketch which centered around a theme of local interest.

The legislature recently passed the millage tax bill, for which the university has worked so hard. As soon as this bill goes into effect, work will be started on some new buildings of which we are badly in need, owing to the large increase each year in the Student body.

Our alumnae have been serving tea to us every other Friday afternoon at our chapter house. In this way we are kept in close touch with each other.

Examinations claimed the attention of the girls along the first part of February. Very few new girls entered college in February, so we had little rushing to do. However we pledged Genevieve Shaver of Portland, Oregon.

On February 28, Phi Delta Theta entertained Alpha Xi with a very delightful house dance.

Samuel Hill was recently a guest of the University, and addressed the assembly on the subject of good roads. We had the honor of the company of Mr. Hill and Mr. Holman, of Portland, at luncheon.

The Panhellenic dance which was given at the gymnasium March 1, was a great success. Each chapter represented in Panhellenic had a special dance, during which many novel and beautiful effects were produced.

March 8, Phi Gamma Delta gave a delightful luncheon for our underclassmen, and in the evening dinner for the upperclassmen.

Easter week-end we entertained for Phi Gamma Delta with a house dance. The men selected their partners by choosing miniature Easter bonnets which were on display. The tiny hats were worn during the evening, causing a great deal of merriment. The house was decorated in daffodils and Oregon Grape.

The Girls' glee club was by many declared to have far outshone that of the men. It has been quite a feather in their cap as it is their initial performance. Myrtle Gram, a freshman of Alpha Xi, took the leading rôle in the operetta which scored such a great success.

The girls are now in training for the women's track meet which will be held in the gymnasium some time in April. Cups will be awarded to those excelling in certain feats. A cup will be awarded also to the one who wins the largest number of individual points. This meet and the April Frolic are the two main events during the year which are exclusively for women. At the Frolic each society and club is to be represented by a stunt. Alpha Xi is planning on an Orpheum. Some rare vaudeville material may be developed before the end of April. We expect a number of week-end guests to share in the fun.

March 26, we held initiation for our pledge.

28 March 1913

Marguerite Rankin

'12 Born to Mr and Mrs E. J. Failing (Marjorie Holcomb) a daughter.
'14 Hazel Rader left college early in the new semester. She hopes to return next year.

'14 Lylah Sengstake came down for the Beta Theta Pi formal.
'15 Elsie Bain did not come back to college this semester, because of the ill health of her mother.

ALPHA OMEGON—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Alpha Omicron is still jubilant over another successful rushing season at the beginning of the second semester, and takes pleasure in introducing five new pledges: Constance Stratton, Olive Eagleton, June Williams, Freda Reed and Ruth Bailey. We were also glad to welcome back Edna Cash, who had been out of college one term.

During this, the first year of its life, the Woman's council has been making itself felt as a vital factor in the life of the university.

An opportunity to become of greater service was asked and obtained after quite a little discussion, (both masculine and feminine). At a recent mass-meeting of the student body it was moved and carried that the Woman's council be given representation on the Students' council. Edna Cash has just been elected our new representative on the Woman's council, and, as vice-president of the Young Women's Christian association, Virginia Tolbert represents the girls at large.

We are very proud that now, since Olive Eagleton is pledged to us, all except one of the seven girls on the *Sooner* staff are Thetas. Practically all the art work for the annual was done by Violet McDougal.

On the afternoon of March 15, an open meeting of Panhellenic was held, and Grace Nash, Alpha Theta, who is the secretary of the Young Women's Christian association for this district, gave a very valuable discussion of fraternity problems. Mrs. Currens, Province President of Pi Beta Phi, was also present.

Our chapter has been well represented in dramatics of late. In *The magistrate* presented by the Sooner dramatic club on March 5, Helen Barret had an important part. Olive Eagleton and Edna Cash had parts in the German play given on March 8. On March 14, the senior class presented Shaw's *Conversion of Captain Brassbound* in which the leading rôle was well taken by June Williams.

With the beginning of the second semester, it was unanimously voted that Alpha Omicron stand for broader social development; and first, a Panhellenic dance was given, Friday afternoon, February 28. Then a series of informal parties was planned by which the six men's fraternities should be entertained in order of their establishment. On March 15, we were at home to Kappa Alpha and on March 29, to Kappa Sigma. Our regular "Open house" to all the students and faculty was held March 5.

February 27, we spent a delightful afternoon with two of our patronesses, Mrs. Holmberg and Mrs. Dwight, at the home of the latter. Mrs. Felgar, our chaperone, gave a beautiful luncheon in honor of our three seniors, Ida Agnes Pyle, Constance Stratton, and Ada May Eastland, on March 13.

26 March 1913

Ada May Eastland

'12 Gertrude Buxton Fleming (Mrs E. T.) was a visitor during rushing season.

'15-ex Lorena Cruse is attending Central state normal school at Edmond, Okla.

'15-ex Peach Rogers is attending Missouri university.

'15-ex Minnie Lee Burrus was married on Mar. 12, to William J. Armstrong.

'14-ex Mary Virgin and '12 Mable Thacker visited at the chapter house recently.

'12-ex Callie Goodrich has returned to Norman to spend the rest of the winter.

ALPHA PI—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Since we have last written the Journal we have added one new member to our list. On February 15, Minnie Markell of Rolla, North Dakota was admitted to Thetahood. Initiation was held at the home of Hazel Ladd. After the initiation we had a banquet given us by Mrs. C. C. Gouran, one of our social patronesses. Minnie is a strong as well as a most lovable girl, and we feel that Alpha Pi is indeed strengthened by her membership.

February was for us a month of celebration. On the eve of the twenty-first we had our Carney contest, which is an annual song contest, the participants being the four regular university classes. Each class writes its own words and usually its own music. They are judged on their singing of these songs, together with that of *Alma Mater*. This time the sophomores were victorious with the juniors a close second. The prize is \$50, and is to be used by the class as it shall determine.

Next day was the thirtieth anniversary of the founding of our university. In the morning an illustrated lecture was given by Professor Squires—head of the English department—on the history of our university to the present day. At six o'clock a banquet was served in the spacious dining-hall of the Common's building, at which, in addition to the regular student body and faculty, a large number of visitors and alumnae were present. Toasts were given, and music rendered by the Glee clubs. The day was closed by an address on *The Future of our University*, by President McVey.

Just as February was marked by festivity and rejoicing; so March has been marked for our university, by the depths of sorrow. On March 10, the all but indomitable spirit of Professor Henry Ledaum—head of the Department of Romance languages—was summoned by the Angel of Death. The following Thursday all university activities were suspended, and memorial services were held. At these services the memorial address, for the student body, was most ably and touchingly rendered by Emily Covert, who is a warm personal friend of the Ledaum family. Professor Ledaum's death has cast a deep shadow over the whole university and especially over Alpha Pi as we knew in him we had a staunch friend and loyal supporter.

Alpha Pi is, at present, quite prominent along dramatic lines, being represented by Gertrude Cunningham, Gretchen Oeschger, Alice Kolars, Emily Covert, and Anne Bowman, in the three Irish plays soon to be given as the annual production of the Sock and Buskin dramatic society.

Our spring recess begins on April 6, and everyone is busy planning vacation festivities. So here's wishing all Thetas far and near as splendid and happy a vacation as we look forward to.

27 March

Anne Bowman

'10 Jean Fraser, who is doing graduate work in English at Bryn Mawr, spent Easter vacation in Washington, D. C.

'12 Clara Bull sailed the latter part of February for Japan on a trip around the world.

'12 In Mar. Pearl Monroe was down from Langdon just long enough to greet her Theta friends.

'12 The hearts of all members of Alpha Pi go out in true and loving sympathy to Margaret Fawcett, whose mother died in Feb.

'13 Gretchen Oeschger was chosen recently to record the senior class in the annals of history.

'14 Olga Serumgard has just been elected president of Larimore house, the self-governing association of Larimore hall. She is also our convention delegate.

'15 Ethel Renwick was one of the Y. W. C. A. delegates who attended the convention at Hamline. While there she paid a short visit to Upsilon.

ALPHA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

We have just had our first fraternity examinations and we truly feel we are the baby chapter. But even though we are, we have had the splendid opportunity of meeting Miss Burner and of hearing her talks in the Young Women's Christian association Lenten meetings.

The second week of March was a week of red letter days for Alpha Rho. The first night we celebrated our chapter birthday and had initiation. We are glad to introduce our new Theta, Ella Royhl. Then Miss Burner was with us the following three days, and the last night we had our annual.

Mrs. Fox entertained the Alpha Rho girls very delightfully during spring vacation. She is our only affiliated member and she helps us greatly in our work.

29 March 1913

Ella Gray

- '12 Anne Gilchriest spent her spring vacation at the home of Laura Lotze.
- '10 Marie Lotze returned home for our annual.
- '08 Pansy Austin Whittemore is now living in Vermilion.

ITINERARY OF KAPPA ALPHA THETA SPECIAL
TRAIN TO LAKE MINNEWASKA, NEW YORK

Leave Chicago, M. C. R. R. Train 8, 9:05 a. m. June 22.
Arrive Ann Arbor, M. C. R. R. Train 8, 2:37 p. m. June 22.
Party will make own arrangements from Ann Arbor to Detroit, using either trolley or rail.
Leave Detroit, M. C. R. R. Train 14, 10:45 p. m. June 22.
Arrive Niagara Falls, M. C. R. R. Train 14, 5:42 a. m. June 23.
Cars will be parked.
Leave Niagara Falls, N. Y. C. & H. R. Train 24, 2:25 p. m. June 23.
Arrive Buffalo, N. Y. C. & H. R. Train 24, 3:10 p. m. June 23.
Leave Buffalo, N. Y. C. & H. R. Train 46, 9:45 p. m. June 23.
Arrive Albany, N. Y. C. & H. R. Train 46, 4:40 a. m. June 24.
Leave Albany, W. S. R. R. Train 16, 6:55 a. m. June 24.
Arrive Kingston, W. S. R. R. Train 16, 8:55 a. m. June 24.
Leave Kingston, N. Y. O. & W. Train 404, 9:25 a. m. June 24.
Arrive Kerhonkson, N. Y. O. & W. Train 404, 10:11 a. m. June 24.
Passengers will purchase New York City and return Summer Tourist tickets. Baggage will be checked to Kingston and Agent at Kingston will recheck to Lake Minnewaska immediately upon arrival.

EXCHANGES

Recent extension among our contemporaries includes the following new chapters.

Kappa Kappa Gamma has entered the University of Oregon.

Delta Delta Delta has chartered groups at the University of Wyoming, at the University of Navada, and at Cornell university.

Kappa Delta has new chapters at the Woman's college of Alabama and at the University of Cincinnati.

Alpha Gamma Delta has entered Northwestern university.

Sigma Kappa announces the institution of a chapter at Kansas university.

Pi Beta Phi has chartered a group at John B. Stetson college, Florida.

Phi Mu has new chapters at Knox, Hanover, Butchel, Maine, and Ohio state.

The Peoria, Illinois, Panhellenic has issued an attractive year book. There are thirty-five members, representing Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Phi, Chi Omega, Alpha Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Kappa Alpha Theta. The Theta members are Miss Comfort, Mrs. George Fitch, and Mrs. Henry Truitt. This Panhellenic is affiliated with the Civic federation and Child Welfare league of Peoria.

Just what, we may ask, are we to consider all-aroundness? Does that chapter possess it which has a large membership of girls of varied interests and talents? Does it mean many girls who can do many things? Surely these are essential factors, but they are not all. The chapter which has all-aroundness in its best sense has girls of several types indeed,—girls who are students of the serious sort, girls who are essentially the more vivacious entertainers of the group, girls whose talents turn in the direction of business and whose clear business sense and strong logical reasoning help materially to meet chapter needs. But the thing which makes all-aroundness felt, valuable and effective,

is harmony. Harmony is indeed the most to be desired, and should be ever present among daughters of the arts.

Varied interests at first thought do not seem to make for its existence, and herein lies the question,—how shall it be obtained? How indeed shall we find the way to all-aroundness? The way lies in the conscientious effort of each individual girl to give the best that is in herself, and help the expression of the best that is in the group. In short the attainment of harmonious all-aroundness means concessions, unselfishness, and consideration.—Alpha Chi Omega, *Lyre*.

But it is not improper to suspect that chapters which do not answer correspondence are carelessly or indifferently conducted. And it is exactly to carelessness or indifference rather than to positive errors of commission that are due most of the faults with which we are concerned.—*Palm A T Ω*.

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